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Beth Ryan Lead Counsel, New Mexico ConocoPhillips 600 W. Illinois Ave., Midland, Texas 97701 Beth.Ryan@conocophillips.com

Re: COG Operating LLC's Request to Plug and Abandon Wells

Dear Ms. Ryan:

The Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") received your emails of May 14 – June 23, 2025, requesting permission for COG Operating, LLC ("COG") to plug and abandon the following well: High Lonesome Penrose Unit No. 8 (API No. 30-015-02722). Sellers & Fulton Oil, LLC is the registered operator ("Operator") of this well, and OCD consents to COG's request to plug, abandon, and remediate the aforementioned well.

On or about November 21, 2024, a hearing was conducted regarding Operator's Notice of Violation, including Operator's violations of 19.15.25.8 NMAC. Operator was ordered to plug and abandon 36 wells, including the High Lonesome Penrose Unit No. 8 well. Order R-23566 is incorporated by reference herein as though set forth in full. Despite proper notice from OCD, Operator remained out of compliance with Order R-23566 and failed to plug and abandon the wells within 30 days. Pursuant to that Order, OCD is authorized to plug and abandon certain wells, including the High Lonesome Penrose Unit No 8 well. OCD hereby authorizes COG to plug, abandon, and remediate the above-identified well(s) on OCD's behalf.

Please contact Michael Hall, Assistant General Counsel, at <u>Michael.Hall@emnrd.nm.gov</u> with questions, including the submission of plugging sundries, as OCD will not be transferring operatorship to COG and will need to insert the plugging sundries into the wellfiles.

Regards,

Albert Chang

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Date