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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
ATT: James S. Rutley  
620 E Greene Street  
Carlsbad, NM 88220

STATE LAND OFFICE  
ATT: Stephen Wust  
PO BOX 1148  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL IN POTASH AREA

OPERATOR: COG Operating LLC

LEASE NAME: BECKNELL STATE COM # 4H

PROPOSED LOCATION: U/L L Sec 5 T21S R33E 2440 FNL 330 FWL

PROPOSED DEPTH: 21504' MD & ?????' TVD

Gentleman:

The application for permit to drill identified above has been filed with this office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. Pursuant to the provisions of Oil Conservation Division Order R - 111 - P, please advise this office whether the location is within an established Life-of-Mine-Reserve that are filed with and approved by your office. If not, please advise whether it is within the buffer zone established by the order.

Thank you for your assistance. Please Return as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

  
Paul Kautz

Hobbs District Geologist, District I

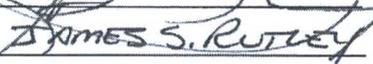
RESONSE:

The above referenced location is in LMR (2017 year) -----Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

The above referenced location is within the Buffer Zone -----Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Signed

Printed Signature

  
JAMES S. RUTLEY

Representing

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