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**Vastar Resources, Inc.
15375 Memorial Drive
Houston, Texas 77079
Attention: Michael Rodgers**

Administrative Order NSL-4484

Dear Mr. Rodgers:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated June 19, 2000; and (ii) the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's ("Division") records in Santa Fe, including the file on Division Case No. 9559: all concerning Vastar Resources, Inc.'s request for an off-pattern non-standard Basin-Fruitland coal gas well location for the proposed Carracas "25-A" Well No. 16 to be drilled 585 feet from the South line and 710 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 25, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The E/2 of Section 25 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 8 of the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
U. S. Forest Service - Bloomfield