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Attn: Mr. John C. Thompson

Re: Application for Downhole Commingling WF State "16" Well No. 1 Unit Letter M, Section 16-30N-14W Basin-Fruitland Coal and Harper Hill Fruitland Sand-Pictured Cliffs Pools San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has advised this office that Richardson Operating Company has applied to downhole commingle the production from the WF State "16" Well No. 1. Richardson Operating Company proposes to commingle the production from the Basin-Fruitland Coal and Harper Hill Fruitland Sand-Pictured Cliffs Pools.

Pursuant to State Land Office Rule No. 1.053, 1.054 and 1.055, please submit an application to this office for our approval together with the data recommended on the attached commingling pre-application form. The filing fee for a commingling application is \$30.00.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

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