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December 3, 2001

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Attn: Mr. John C. Maxey, Jr.

Re: Downhole Commingling Application

Bandit State Well No. 2

Unit Letter L, Section 10-23S-26E

Frontier Hills Canyon and Frontier Hills Strawn Pools

Eddy County, New Mexico

This office is in receipt of your application of November 27, 2001, requesting our approval to downhole commingle the production from the above subject well from the Frontier Hills Canyon and Frontier Hills Strawn Pools in Eddy County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that production from the subject well will be allocated as follows:

POOL	ALLOC	<u>ALLOCATION</u>	
Frontier Hills Canyon	Oil % 100 %	<u>Gas %</u> 91 %	
Frontier Hills Strawn	0 %	09 %	
	100	100	

Since it appears that there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico as a result of your proposed operation, your request for downhole commingling the production from the above-mentioned well is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Please submit your filing fee in the amount of \$30.00.

Also, please submit a copy of the Oil Conservation Division's approval order.

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

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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