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November 15, 2010

Mr. James Bruce P.O. Box 1056 Santa Fe, NM 87504

Administrative Order NSL-6297

Re: Chi Operating, Inc. Munchkin Fed Well No. 15 to be renamed Benson Delaware Unit Well #15 API No. 30-015 150 feet FSL & 1550 feet FWL Unit N, Section 1-19S-30E Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bruce:

Reference is made to the following:

(a) your application (administrative application reference No. pTGW10-31643380) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on behalf of Chi Operating, Inc [OGRID 4378] (Chi), on November 12, 2010, and

(b) the Division's records pertinent to this request.

Chi has requested to drill the above-referenced well at an unorthodox oil well location, described above in the caption of this letter. The SE/4 SW/4 of Section 1 will be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 40-acre spacing unit in the Benson Delaware Pool (97083). This pool is governed by statewide Rule 15.9.A, which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is less than 330 feet from the southern unit boundary.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 and 4.12.A(2).

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It is our understanding that you are seeking this location to comply with United States Bureau of Land Management potash impact requirements.

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It is also understood that notice of this application to offsetting operators or owners is unnecessary due to common ownership.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

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Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia United States Bureau of Land Management