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Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Ms. Carol Leach, Acting Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: OCD Case No. 13238: Application of Vernon E. Faulconer, Inc. and Faulconer Energy General Partner, LLC, individually and as General Partner for Faulconer Resources 200 LP for Cancellation of a Drilling Permit and an Emergency Order Staying Mewbourne Oil Company from Commencing Operations, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Leach:

Vernon E. Faulconer, Inc., et al., hereby requests that the Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case that is currently scheduled for March 18, 2004, be continued to the April 15, 2004 Examiner Hearing Docket. The parties are waiting on a ruling from the District Court in Carlsbad in a related case and therefore request the case be continued to the April 15th hearing.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

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