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May 15, 2003

David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc.
P.O. Box 2071
Midland, Texas 79702
Attn: David H. Arrington

Re: Dirt Devil State Com 8 Well #1
E/2 Section 8, T17S, R35E
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Arrington:

Enclosed is Order Number R-11956 issued by the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on May 13, 2003. Also enclosed in duplicate, is Ocean's AFE (cost estimate) covering the drilling of the above referenced well. Please respond within 30 days as indicated in the Order whether or not you will participate in drilling the above referenced well as to your 50% working interest.

Should you elect to participate in the drilling of the well, your election should be accompanied by a check for your 50% share of the cost of drilling the well along with a signed AFE.

Should you require additional information, please call me at (713) 265-6897.

Yours very truly,

OCEAN ENERGY, INC., a Louisiana corporation



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Senior Land Advisor

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cc: Oil Conservation Division
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Attn: Lori Wortenberg, Director