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Hon. David R. Catanach
Oil Conservation Division
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Case No. 12946: Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an Order Requiring Gladstone Resources, Inc. to Properly Plug Two (2) Wells, Imposing Civil Penalties for Failure to Comply, Authorizing the Division to Plug Said Wells and Ordering a Forfeiture of Applicable Plugging Security, If Any; Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Examiner Catanach:

The Division hereby requests that the hearing of the captioned case, which is presently set on the October 10, 2002 examiner docket, be continued to October 24, 2002.

The notices for this case were not mailed until September 24, 2002, too late to give the required twenty-day notice for October 10. Accordingly, the respondents have been notified that the hearing will take place on October 24. This is the first continuance of this case.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (505)-476-3450.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DKB".

David K. Brooks
Assistant General Counsel

cc: Chris Williams