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Re: Extension of the Expiration Date of the Trinity Burrus Abo Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of the extension of the Expiration Date of the Trinity Burrus Unit to January 31, 2007.

On October 20, 2005, an examiner of the Oil Conservation Division heard the application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. for statutory unitization of the Trinity Burrus Unit. Since the hearing, Chesapeake has provided the Division with a proposed order and has responded to questions from the Examiner. We believe the Oil Conservation Division will soon approve the unit but, to date, no order has been received.

The Unit Agreement is on the State / Federal / Fee Waterflood Unit form which contains the following provision:

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Since final approval of this unit cannot obtained from the Oil Conservation Division, State Land Office and the BLM before the January 31, 2006 Expiration Date, Chesapeake Operating, Inc., designated operator in the proposed agreement, sought and has obtained extension of the Expiration Date to January 31, 2007.

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At the Oil Conservation Division hearing, Chesapeake offered as its Exhibit 9 a list of all working interest owners in the unit area. A copy of this Exhibit is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit</u> <u>A</u>. The twenty-three working interest owners who have ratified the unit are shaded yellow. Together they own approximately 94% of the working interest in the proposed unit area. All of these working interest owners have decided to extend the unit Expiration Date to January 31, 2007. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> are copies of letters which evidence the working interest owners' decision to extend the Expiration Date. Accordingly, the "Extended Expiration Date" of the Trinity Burrus Abo Unit is now January 31, 2007.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Will Jones Oil Conservation Division

> Mr. Terry Frohnapfel Chesapeake Operating, Inc.

#### Exhibit "D"

#### Trinity Burrus Abo Unit Working Interest Owner Unit Participation

Tracts Unit Participation Fraction	Total of All Tracts	
		100.0000
Working Interest Owner	TPF % WI	TPF NRI
ABO Petroleum	0.020438961596	0.017032467929
Blake Arnold	4.471982630142	3.457917668473
Blanco Company	0.029155487470	0.025510966256
Cardinal River Energy Co	2.140694930741	1.67506654616
Charles B. Read	0.029155487470	0.02551096625
Chesapeake Energy	65.390492685596	50.75364494120
Chesapeake Investments	0.588517793823	0.46043779562
Claude C. Arnold	8.103586358093	6.32703170216
David C Story	0.420507142072	0.32915252105
Energen Resources Corp.	3.802119988512	3.04116376830
H J Freede, Inc.	6.278232180069	4.92840768529
J C Henderson	0.098048906887	0.08089034818
J Durwood Pate Trust Dated Various	0.794589253061	0.61986407561
Jack Ahlen	0.062248198895	0.04978984436
James D. Pate, Jr Trust Dated Various	0.794589253061	0.61986407561
Jerry Dickson	0 020749399632	0.01650653369
Joe H. Pate Trust	0.773618696743	0.60436981180
Larry Fenity	0.805620804228	0.63168214836
Monarch Resources, LLC	0.861528281633	0.67353650978
MYCO Industries	0.020438961596	0.01703246792
Patrica Dimsha	0.126156349761	0.10090742206
Robert & Dawn Willis	0.012449639779	
Rehoboth Inc	2.507758235685	1.92002437359
Stanley J. Dimsha	0.126156349761	0.10090742206
Stephen R Howard	0.000408467662	0.00033222036
TLW Investments	0.588517793823	0.46043779336
Tropical Minerals, Inc.	0.877249151943	0.72841310382
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Yates Drilling	0 020438961596	
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Case No. <u>13582 and 13583</u> Exhibit No. 9 Submitted by: <u>CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC.</u> Hearing Date: <u>October 20, 2005</u>

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Blake Arnold Working Interest Oil & Gas Properties, LLC Blake Arnold, Manager-Tax ID #530-54-2809 5600 N. May Ave., Suite 125 Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Date: 1-13-06

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cc: Terry Frohnapfel Chesapeake Operating Inc.



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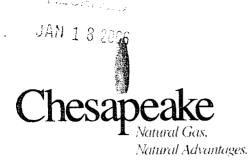
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President Title (If Appropriate)

Tropical Minerals, Inc. Company (If Appropriate)

Date: <u>1/16/06</u>

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