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Mr. David Catanach, Hearing Examiner  
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**CASE No. 13373: APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR AN ORDER DETERMINING THAT ORBIT ENERGY INC. KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY VIOLATED 19.15.4.201 NMAC; REQUIRING ORBIT ENERGY INC. TO BRING FIVE WELLS INTO COMPLIANCE WITH 19.15.4.201 NMAC; ASSESSING APPROPRIATE CIVIL PENALTIES; AND IN THE EVENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION TO PLUG SAID WELLS AND FORFEIT THE APPLICABLE FINANCIAL ASSURANCES; ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Dear Mr. Catanach:

The above-captioned matter is currently scheduled for hearing on the August 17, 2006 docket. The Applicant Oil Conservation Division, at the request of Orbit Petroleum Inc., respectfully requests a continuance until the September 14, 2006 docket.

The parties have arranged to meet on August 18 to discuss outstanding compliance issues.

Very truly yours,

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Assistant General Counsel

Ec: Mr. Jim Frazier, President, Orbit Petroleum  
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