STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Approach Operating, LLC for Approval of Fourteen Applications for Permits to Drill, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Case 14278

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Pursuant to NMAC 19.15.4.10(B), Steven Sugarman hereby enters his formal appearance in this case on behalf of the Rice Family Living Trust ("Trust"), which filed a Notice of Intervention in this matter on September 4, 2009. In a filing of September 8, 2009, the Applicant indicated that it does not object to the Rice Family Living Trust's intervention in this case.

Counsel for the Trust hereby notifies the Oil Conservation Commission that concurrently with the filing of this Notice of Appearance, he is causing to be filed an Amended Notice of Intervention which restates the Trust's interest in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Steven Sugarman

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was sent by e-mail to Ms. Cheryl Bada (attorney for the Commission) at cbada@state.nm.us, by e-mail to Mr. J. Scott Hall (attorney for the Applicant) at shall@montand.com, and by e-mail to Mr. Adan Trujillo (attorney for Rio Arriba County) at adantrujillo@gmail.com on this 30th day of September, 2009.

/s/ Steven Sugarman
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