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January 19, 2001

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: NMOCD Case No. 12565; Application of BTA Oil Producers for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of the Applicant, BTA Oil Producers, we request that the above-referenced matter be dismissed. It is my understanding that Nearburg Exploration Company, the Applicant under the competing pooling application in Case No. 12574 will dismiss that case as well.

Very Truly Yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

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