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January 22, 2001

Lori Wrotenbery, Director
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
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Re: NMOCD Case No.s 12588 and 12441; Application of Raptor Natural Pipeline LLC,
f/k/a LG&E Natural Pipeline LLC for Special Rules for the Grama Ridge Morrow
Gas Storage Unit, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of the Applicant, Raptor Natural Pipeline Company LLC, we respectfully request the above cases be continued to the examiner hearing scheduled for February 22, 2001.

The Division should know that the Applicant has made a number of attempts to meet with one of the other parties, Nearburg Exploration Company, in an effort to resolve a number of issues related to the subject matter of the application. Scheduling conflicts on both sides have made calendaring a meeting problematic. Most recently, a meeting set for January 22nd in Midland had to be canceled due to an unexpected hearing in Colorado involving Nearburg that same day. We are attempting to reschedule a meeting and must request another continuance of these cases as a consequence. Please be assured the parties are working diligently toward resolving their differences.

On behalf of Raptor, we appreciate the Division's ongoing courtesies in this matter.

Lori Wrotenbery
January 22 2001
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Very truly yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Scott Hall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "J" and "H".

J. Scott Hall

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