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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
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**Re: CASE 12745: Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company and Conoco Inc.
Application to amend Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin Dakota Gas Pool
to increase well density and amend well location requirements
San Juan, McKinley, Sandoval and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico**

Texaco is in agreement with and supports the application by Burlington and Conoco to increase the well density in the Basin Dakota Gas Pool to allow four wells per 320-acre gas proration unit. Furthermore, Texaco supports the adoption of well location rules for the Basin Dakota Pool that is identical to the rules for the Blanco Mesaverde Pool.

Texaco believes the approval of the application by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division would be in the best interest of all parties. Approval would result in recovery of additional gas reserves, protect correlative rights and minimize surface impacts from development.

Sincerely,

Dennis Snow
San Juan Team Leader

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