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**HAND-DELIVERED**

Lori Wrottenbery, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Energy, Minerals and  
Natural Resources Department  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Re: **Order No. R-11776**: *Application of David H. Arrington Oil & Gas Inc. For Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico*  
(Royal Stimulator "31" Well No. 2) (Case No. 12858)

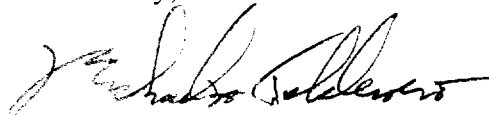
Dear Ms. Wrottenbery:

David H. Arrington Oil & Gas Inc. hereby requests a 90-day extension of Order No. R-11776, which is due to expire by its own terms on September 15, 2002. The Division heard this pooling application and entered this Order without an appearance by any objecting party.

The proposed well is to be drilled within the City of Lovington and therefore requires a permit from the City. The matter is scheduled to be heard by the City committee on September 10<sup>th</sup> for a recommendation, and will thereafter be heard by the City Counsel. Arrington hopes to have the necessary permit in place to commence drilling of the well by the end of October. Arrington therefore requests a 90-day extension of the deadline to commence drilling of the well through and including December 15, 2002.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Michael H. Feldewert

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cc: Bill Baker, David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc.

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