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IN REPLY REFER TO: 3160 (080)

January 28, 2002

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ARCO Permian P O Box 1089 Eunice, NM 88231

RE: NM91032A, Sweet Thing

T20-1/2S, R22E, Sec. 31 Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

As you are aware, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is the agency responsible for ensuring the correct reporting of production from oil and gas leases operated on Federal and Indian lands. In order to meet this objective, the BLM has developed a Production Inspection (PI) program on selected Federal and Indian oil and gas properties to determine how accurately your production records match the volumes you reported on the Monthly Report of Operations (Form MMS-3160).

Your operations on the referenced unit have been selected and your cooperation and assistance will be appreciated. In accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR 3162.4-1(b), you are ordered to submit copies of the following source documents, procedures, and formulas used to calculate the volumes of oil and gas reported on the 3160(s) for the period of November 1, 2001, through December 31, 2001.

- 1. Copies of pumper records.
- 2. Copies of strapping tables for oil storage/sales tanks.
- 3. Copies of seal records. RUN TICKETS ARE NOT SEAL RECORDS.
 Seal records should include: dates seal is installed/removed, seal number, tank number, valve (drain, sales, fill or equalizer) and remarks. Seal records for a LACT unit should include the component sealed (sample probe, meter assembly, etc.), seal number, date seal is installed/removed, and reason for such removal.

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Santa Fe, New Mexico
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Submitted by:
BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY

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- 4. Copy of gas meter chart integration volume statements or Electronic Flow Meter (EFM) statements and Gas Calculation Reports.
- 5. Copy of oil sales run tickets.
- 6. Notification of next gas meter calibrations and oil sale.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 3162.4-1(a) the operator shall keep accurate and complete records with respect to all lease operations including but not limited to production facilities and equipment, and producing operations. Title 43 CFR 3162.4-1(b) requires that upon request, the operator shall transmit to the authorized officer copies of records maintained in compliance with paragraph (a) of this section.

Title 43 CFR 3162.4-1(d) requires that all records and reports shall be maintained for 6 years from the date they were generated. In addition, if the Authorized Officer (AO) notifies the recordholder that the BLM has initiated or is participating in an audit or investigation involving such records, the records shall be maintained until the AO releases the recordholder from the obligation to maintain such records. Under 43 CFR 3162.7-5(b)(6), such records and measurements shall be available to any AO upon request.

Section 109(d)(1) of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982, as implemented by the applicable provisions of the operating regulations at Title 43 CFR 3163.2(f)(1), provides that any person who "knowingly and wilfully" prepares, maintains, or submits false, inaccurate, or misleading reports, notices, affidavits, records, data, or other written information required by this part shall be liable for a civil penalty of up to \$25,000 per violation for each day such violation continues, not to exceed a maximum of 20 days.

All documents must be properly identified by Federal or Indian lease numbers, and include the information requested above. All documents are to be submitted to this office within 20 business days of receipt of this order. To facilitate any communication or requests for additional data, please provide the name, address, and phone number of the person who should be our primary contact in regard to this letter. Failure to comply as noted above will result in a notice of violation, and may result in an assessment or civil penalty under 43 CFR 3163.

Under provisions of 43 CFR 3165.3, you may request an Administrative Review of the decision described above, before the State Director. Such request, including all supporting documents, must be filed in writing within 30 business days of receipt of this notice and must be filed with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, P. O. Box 27115, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-0115. Such request shall not result in a suspension

of the orders unless the reviewing official so determines. Procedures governing appeals from instructions, orders or decisions are contained in 43 CFR 3165.4 and 43 CFR 4.400 et seq.

If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Queen with this office at (505) 234-5962.

Sincerely,

Cathy Queen

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