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Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2304

Dear Mr. Porter:

The above case will come on for hearing before the Commission on June 14th on the Motion of the Commission to amend Rules 1209 and 1216 to conform to Section 65-3-11.1 NMSA 1953 Comp., as amended.

The change in the statute was the result of consultation between the Commission and the New Mexico Oil and Gas Association. It was agreed that it would be advisable in the interests of conserving the time of members of the Commission and of fully utilizing the technical ability of the members of the staff of the Commission to provide that the Commission must hear each month the oil and gas allowables, and any de novo proceedings, but that otherwise it should not be required to hear any matter which it might not desire to hear initially.

I have examined a copy of the proposed rule changes to be presented at the June 14th hearing, and I believe that they are satisfactory to accomplish the desired end for which the statutory change was made.

I would urge that the Commission adopt the proposed changes in Rules 1209 and 1216.

I was the Chairman of the Oil Conservation Commission of the New Mexico Oil and Gas Association which worked with the Commission to effect the statutory change, and I believe I can speak for the members of that Committee in expressing approval of the proposed rules changes.

Very truly yours,



Howard C. Bratton

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Mr. Richard S. Morris
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Dick:

I don't know whether I am going to be able to attend the Commission hearing on Wednesday. If I am not, will you please insert the enclosed letter in the record of the case.

If there is anything further which you desire, please let me hear from you.

Very truly yours,



Howard C. Bratton

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Enclosure