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Dear Mr. Lemay:

Enclosed please find the Applications of Reading& Bates Petroleum Company for (1) Non-Standard Proration Unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico; and (2) Compulsory Pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. On behalf of Reading & Bates Petroleum Company we request that these Applications be set for hearing before the Division on July 29, 1987.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Eric Koelling

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APPLICATION OF READING & BATES
PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO

Case No. 9/83

## APPLICATION

Reading and Bates Petroleum Company, through its counsel, makes application pursuant to Section 70-2-17 N.M.S.A. for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Gavilan/Mancos Pool underlying all of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, N.M.P.M. to form a standard 640 acre spacing and proration unit and in support thereof would show the Division:

- 1. Applicant owns or represents a substantial portion of the working interest in and under said Section 16 and applicant has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above referenced 640 acre pocled unit to its Ingram-Federal 34-16 Well to be drilled at a standard location 2,025' FSL and 915' FEL of said Section 16.
- 3. Applicant has sought and obtained either voluntary agreement for pooling or farm out from the owners of less and 100% of the working interest in said Section 16.

The pooling of the uncommitted interests and well completion at the standard location will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit the applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the uncommitted mineral interests should be pooled, and the applicant should be designated the operator of the well.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before a duly appointed examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on July 29, 1987 and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including provisions for applicant to recover its cost for drilling, equipping an completing the well, its cost of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges and imposing a risk factor for the risk assumed by the applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well, and making such other and further provisions that may be proper in the premises.

Respectfully submitted:

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