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September 22, 1997

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Mr. Tim W. Gum District II Supervisor State of New Mexico **Oil Conservation Division** Artesia District Office 811 S. First Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210



RE: State "B" 14 Com #1 P - Section 14-T18S-T28E Annual Packer Test

Dear Mr. Gum:

Hallwood is in receipt of your July 30, 1997 letter and notification for the annual packer test on the captioned well (copy attached), by October 15, 1997.

Hallwood is currently preparing to submit an application for downhole commingling on this well and would like to formally request a 60-day extension on the packer test requirement, to avoid the expense of a packer test that may not be necessary if our commingling application is approved.

We will forward a copy of the commingling application to your office with the original to Santa Fe in the next 7-10 days.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this extension request. Please contact me at (303) 850-6303 with any questions you might have.

Sincerely.

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Kevin E. O'Connell Drilling and Production Manager

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Attachment Eva Kardas cc: Doug Little – Carlsbad KEO97.067

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