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Attention: Nancy K. Gatti

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Administrative Order NSL-4521

Dear Ms. Gatti:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your telefaxed letter to Mr. David R. Catanach, Engineer with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe on October 30, 2000; (ii) Mr. Catanach's meeting with Mr. Sam Shackelford in Santa Fe on Tuesday, October 31, 2000; and (iii) the Division's records: all concerning Bellwether Exploration Company's Wishbone Federal Com. Well No. 1 (API No. 30-015-30640), which was recently drilled to and completed in the Undesignated Turkey Track-Morrow Gas Pool within a standard 313.04-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, the SE/4 NW/4, and the E/2 SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 6, Township 19 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and located 2000 feet from the South line and 680 feet from the West line (Lot 6/Unit L) of Section 6.

Under the current statewide rules governing the Turkey Track-Morrow Gas Pool, see Division Rule 104.C (2) (a), revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999, this location is considered to be unorthodox. The Division's records indicate that this well's original Application for Permit to Drill ("APD") was filled by Fina Oil & Chemical Company with the U. S. Bureau of Land Management on February 19, 1999. Under the rules governing deep gas wells in southeast New Mexico at that time [see Rule 104.C (2) (a), revised by Division Order No. R-10533, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 11,351 on January 18, 1996] this location was standard.

By the authority granted me under the current provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox gas well location in the Morrow formation is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lori Wrotenbery", followed by a large, stylized flourish or signature mark.

Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad
David R. Catanach - NMOCD, Santa Fe