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Attention: Steve Daniels, Landman

- O. C. D. Artesia, office
- RE: Unorthodox Gas Well Location Application, North Indian Basin Unit Well No. 8; 330' FSL & 1650' FWL (Unit N), Section 9, Township 21 South, Range 23 East, NMPM, Indian Basin Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Daniels:

Reference is made to your application dated October 5, 1989 for the subject unorthodox gas well location. The Special Rules and Regulations for the Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, as promulgated by Division Case No. R-8170, as amended, do not provide provisions for the administrative authorization of unorthodox gas well locations for geological purposes. Therefore, your filing has been set to hearing before an Examiner for the November 1, 1989 docket.

If you should have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Artesia