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RE: State "QQ" Com #1 C-17-23-27

ATTN: Mr. Ray Smith

Gentlemen:

Attached is a copy of your letter requesting that we conduct a packer leakage test on the subject well. We are, however, requesting authorization to conduct the test without shutting in the deep zone (Morrow). This zone is producing about 280 MCFD while the upper zone (Atoka) is shut in. The Morrow zone has a low bottom hole pressure and tends to load up with liquids. We believe it will be difficult to return it to production if we shut it in.

We propose to conduct the test by leaving the Atoka shut in and flowing the Morrow zone for the required test period. A two pen recording chart will record the pressures on both strings of tubing during the test.

We will inform you of the proposed test day. If you have any questions, you may contact me at (915) 570-5045.

Very truly yours,

Leo Gallegos Vista Resources, Inc.

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