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Alpha Twenty-One Production Company ✓
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Attention: R. W. Lansford, Vice President/Energy Resources

Re: (See attached sheet)

Gentlemen:

Since receipt of your May 27, September 15, 1982; March 17, April 27 and April 28, 1983 letters, the above-referenced wells have been produced in such a manner that they are not completely shut-in during periods of low demand for gas.

In order to avoid occasional shut-in of the above wells, your Company must furnish the undersigned an order or an administrative directive from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division within 60 days.

In absence of a directive by the state, we must return your wells to normal scheduling, which is prompted by the present supply and market situation confronting El Paso Natural Gas Company. Within recent months we have been receiving numerous requests from operators to continuously produce their "hardship" wells, and this has added a significant volume of non-swing gas to our system. Because of this, it has become extremely difficult to remain in compliance under the ratable take laws governing the state of New Mexico.

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

Yours very truly,

Paul W. Burchell, Staff Engineer

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Attachment

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division,

Santa Fe, Artesia, Hobbs, NM

W. G. Beadle

J. D. Minnick