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United States Department of the Interior Geological Survey P.O. Drawer U Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Re: Application for Permit to Drill Federal "N" No. 1 Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Cities Service Company respectfully requests permission to drill the Federal "N" No. 1, located 1980' FSL, 860' FEL, Section 5-23S-26E, Eddy County, New Mexico, Lease No. NM 13984.

The location, work area and access road have been staked. It is approximately 7 miles southwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico in the Hackberry Hills Area.

In accordance with the requirement stated in NTL-6 of the National Environmental Policy Act, our Application for Permission to Drill and supporting evidence is hereby submitted:

- 1. Form 9-331C, Application for Permit to Drill.
- 2. Form C-102, Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat certified by John W. West, Registered Land Surveyor #676 in the State of New Mexico.
- 3. The elevation of the unprepared ground is 3328.7 feet above sea level.
- 4. The geologic name of the surface formation is "Permian Rustler".
- 5. Rotary drilling equipment will be utilized to drill the well to TD 11,700' and run casing. This equipment will then be rigged down and the well will be completed with a pulling unit.
- 6. Proposed total depth is 11,700'.