Santa Fe Pacific Exploration Company Managing General Partner

November 7, 1986

Director Oil Conservation Division Energy and Minerals Department State of New Mexico P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> Re: Chase State 2 No. 1 Sec. 2-22S-27E Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. requests administrative approval of an unorthodox location for a $10,700'\pm$ Strawn test to be drilled 1980' FWL, 990' FSL, Section 2, T-22S, R-27E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The reasons for this request are geologic. The relevant geologic exhibits are enclosed.

All offset operators have been notified by certified or registered mail of this request for administrative approval of an unorthodox location.

Sincerely,

Billie Hood

Billie Hood Senior Production Clerk

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Enclosures

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