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U.S. Department of Energy
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Attn: Harold Johnson-EPA Compliance Manager

Re: *1) Arco Permian's Application to Drill the Barclay State # 5, located in
Unit G of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 31 East in Eddy County,
New Mexico.*
 *2) Arco Permian's Application to drill the Barclay State #6, located in
Unit K of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 31 East in Eddy County,
New Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Applications to Drill (APDs) for the above referenced wells are enclosed for your review. The Barclay State wells lies within 1 mile of the WIPP withdraw area. Per terms of the Joint Powers Agreement between the Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department, the DOE and other agencies, these APDs are provided so that you may have the opportunity to develop and submit any comments thereon. The original APDs were approved on 8/15/97 and expired the next year, however they were never were submitted for your review.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions about this matter or if I can provide any further additional information.

Yours truly,

Bryan G. Arrant
District II Geologist

Encl.

Cc:

New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Bill Mackey-
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