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Mr. Bryan G. Arrant, District II Geologist
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Oil Conservation Division, District II Artesia
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Dear Mr. Arrant:

A review of the Application for Permit to Drill (APD) for the following well locations has been conducted by WIPP land use staff: Bass Enterprises Production Company applications to drill James Ranch Unit # 32, James Ranch Unit #67, and James Ranch Unit # 80. Each of these wells is more than 330 feet from the WIPP boundary and does not encroach the WIPP withdrawal boundary.

If you have any further questions please call me at (505) 234-7349.

Sincerely,

Harold Johnson
NEPA Compliance Officer

cc:

D. Lynn, WID



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