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Carol J. Garcia
Strata Production Company
P. O. Drawer 1030
Roswell, NM 88202-1030

RE: Nash Unit #16
330'FSL & 990'FEL
Sec. 12, T-23-S, R-29-E, NMPM
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Garcia:

IMC Fertilizer, Inc. has received your notification that Strata Production Company intends to drill Nash Unit #16, 330'FSL and 990'FEL Section 12, T23S-R29E. IMC must object to Strata drilling this hole because it is within the 1/4 mile buffer zone of IMCF's LMR as described in the NMOCC Order No. R-111-P.

A well at this location would prohibit the full recovery of ore. Section III, Part A, Paragraph 2 of the 28 October 1986 Secretarial Order states: "No wells shall be drilled for oil or gas at a location which, in the opinion of the authorized officer, would result in undue waste of potash deposits or constitute a hazard to or unduly interfere with mining operations being conducted for the extraction of potash deposits".

IMC Fertilizer, Inc. protests drilling at this location.

Sincerely,

Dan Morehouse
Supt. of Engineering and Construction

DM:tmh

cc: Dick Manus	Leslie Cone
Larry Woodard	Walt Thayer
Charlie High	Tony Herrell

