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in reply refer to: NM-104730

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Merit Energy Company Attn: Arlene Vallquette 12222 Merit Drive, Suite 1500 Dallas, TX 75251

Dear Ms. Vallquette:

As per our telephone conversation on August 8, 2001, we are canceling your Application for Permit to Drill for the #16 Sundance Federal, Section 5, T. 24 S., R. 31 E., 660' FSL and 1980' FEL. If you have any questions, please call me at (505) 627-0248.

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