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McElvain Oil and Gas Properties, Inc.  
c/o Property Management & Consulting, Inc.  
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*A* Attention: R. E. (Bob) Fielder

**Re:** *Administrative application on behalf McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. ("McElvain") dated October 10, 2003 for an unorthodox gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde (72319) and Basin-Dakota (71599) Pools for its proposed Brown Well No. 2 to be drilled 2285 feet from the South line and 855 feet from the West line (Lot 8/Unit L) of Irregular Section 9, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Fielder:

On November 11, 2003, I sent a letter requesting additional information to support McElvain's application filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on October 20, 2003 (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-330035302*).

Approximately two years ago this bureau enacted a policy whereby any incomplete administrative filing older than 30 days is to be withdrawn and returned. This policy, as I understand, was adopted to better serve our customers and help assure a quicker turn around time by this bureau on administrative filings. To date you have not submitted the needed supplemental data necessary to complete McElvain's application; therefore, the application is deemed incomplete and in order to fully comply with our policy, is hereby **denied**. I am returning it to you at this time.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner  
Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Farmington