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Via Overnight Mail

Mr. Jesus Villalobos President Petro Mex LLC P.O. Box 6724 Farmington, NM 87499

Re: Bob and Blanche No. 1 Abatement Liability

Dear Mr. Villalobos,

As you know from our prior letter dated November 30, 2005, we represent Richardson Operating Company ("Richardson") in connection with the Bob and Blanche No. 1 well ("Well") located in San Juan County, New Mexico. To date, neither you nor your attorney has responded to our letter. If you are represented by an attorney, we ask that you immediately forward a copy of this letter to your counsel and provide us with their contact information so we may communicate with them directly.

In our letter dated November 30, 2005, we discussed the assignment by Richardson of its interest in the Well and certain other wells to Petro Mex LLC ("Petro Mex") under the Assignment, Conveyance, Quit-Claim and Bill of Sale ("Assignment"), dated June 8, 2005, but effective June 1, 2005. We also discussed the fact that the Change of Operator was approved by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") with an effective date of June 8, 2005, concurrent with the date of the Assignment. Copies of the Assignment and the Change of Operator were enclosed with our letter.

As we discussed in our November 30 letter, a discharge occurred from the Well on or about June 18, 2005 (the "Incident"), during the period <u>after</u> the effective date of the Assignment and <u>after</u> the effective date of the Change of Operator. <u>Accordingly, Petro Mex is solely liable for the Incident as owner and operator of the Well.</u>

Although Richardson undertook the initial response to the Incident as the contract operator on behalf of Petro Mex, the purpose of our November 30 letter was to demand



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reimbursement for the costs incurred by Richardson to date in this matter and to require Petro Mex to acknowledge its sole responsibility for all future costs. Petro Mex has offered no response to our November 30 letter, despite the specific deadlines set forth therein.

Given your lack of response, the purpose of this letter is twofold. First, Richardson hereby formally notifies you that the proposed abatement plan regarding the Incident was approved by the OCD earlier this month. Because we only have 90 days to fulfill the requirements of the abatement plan and the OCD is, for the moment, holding Richardson and Petro Mex jointly responsible for this matter, Richardson intends to initiate the procedures outlined in the abatement plan. However, by moving forward with the required abatement procedures, Richardson is not in any way waiving or foreclosing its ability to seek reimbursement from Petro Mex for the full amount of all costs incurred by Richardson with respect to the Incident. If you have any comments or concerns about Richardson's intention to proceed with the abatement procedures as outlined in the plan approved by the OCD, please provide a specific written response outlining your concerns on or before **December 30, 2005.**

The second purpose of this letter is notify you that, by your lack of prior response, Richardson must assume that you do not intend to voluntarily honor your legal obligation to bear the cost of all remediation efforts resulting from the Incident. Accordingly, unless you (i) contact Richardson to negotiate a payment plan; and (ii) provide written acknowledgement of your responsibility for all costs arising from the Incident, on or before **December 30, 2005**, Richardson will assume it has no choice but to commence a court action to enforce its right to reimbursement by Petro Mex.

Sincerely,

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