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Mr. James F. Sims District Supervisor Bureau of Land Management, Oil & Gas Division P. O. Box 959 Farmington, NM 87499-0600

Venting Gas for Evaluation Test Jicarilla (H) Sections 8 & 7, T24N-R4W Lindrith Gallup - Dakota West Field New Mexico

Dear Mr. Sims:

ARCO Oil and Gas Company is requesting permission to vent gas on a test basis on the Jicarilla (H) lease. Listed below are the wells concerned, their location and current production.

Well No.	Location	Production	on (Nov.)
104	Sec. 8-24N-4W	8 BOPD	10 MCFPD
106	Sec. 8-24N-4W	11 BOPD	18 MCFPD
(115)	Sec. 8-24N-4W	15 BOPD	22 MCFPD
116	Sec. 7-24N-4W	6 BOPD	24 MCFPD

We are considering putting Walking Beam Compressors on these wells. By installing a WBC on a well, the back pressure is removed from the formation and so we hope to increase the oil production. compressors are installed we would like to test each well by venting it to see if removing the back pressure will increase production in each case. The venting time will most likely be three to four days, but we would like to be able to extend it up to 21 days if the well does not seem to stabilize. This project would proceed on a well by well basis and would start as soon as we receive permission to vent.

Thank you for your attention. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me at (303) 293-1073.

Very truly yours,

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Facilities/Production Engineer

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