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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Att: Mr. David Catanach

Re: Application for Increased Surface Pressure
Querecho Plains Bone Spring Waterflood Project
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach:

Mewbourne Oil Company requests administrative approval to increase surface injection pressure for the following wells at the referenced project (see attached step-rate graphs). Step rate tests were conducted in December 2004 to bring wells in compliance with permit pressures.

03	<u>Well</u>	Permit Pressure	Frac Pressure	Requested Pressure
30-025-30583 QPBSS	SU No. 2A-1	2300	2450	2430 psig
20-025-29679 QPBSS	SU No. 13-2	2250	2400	2380 psig

Administrative approval is requested as interpreted in Division Order No. R-10151 and Division Rule 704.C. The attached step-rate tests demonstrate that the subject wells can inject at the requested surface pressures without propagating the existing fracture stimulation out of the Bone Spring formation.

The step-rate tests, as represented on the graphs, have water gravity, friction factors and depth to top perforation incorporated in the calculations. Stabilization times between test were held constant.

Waterflood production from the Bone Spring formation is in the later state of depletion. As a result of continued pore volume pressure increasing the fracture pressure and difficulty in maintaining injectivity is increasing. The fracture pressure is directly proportional to the pore volume pressure plus other rock matrix stress relationships. Prior approved injection pressure in Order No. R-9737-B of May 2, 1996 approved a pressure 20 psig below the average fracture pressure as shown on the step-rate test curves provided. Fracture pressure is a continually moving target. By the time that approval is obtained, fracture pressures will have

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progressed above the current request. For this reason, I respectfully request the approval of the requested pressure. If you have any questions, please contact me at the above number. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours truly,

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Attachments: Step-Rate Graphs

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