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Attn: Ms. Kay Maddox

Re: Downhole Commingling Application
         State E Well No. 14
         Unit Letter P, Section 17-22S-36E
         Wildcat Abo and Langley Strawn Pools
         Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Maddox:

Your application to downhole commingle the Wildcat Abo and Langley Strawn production from within the wellbore of the above-captioned well was received on January 19, 2001.

Since it appears that all the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's rules and regulations have been complied with, and there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico as a result of your proposed operation, your request for downhole commingling is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Your $30.00 dollar filing fee has been received.

Also, please submit the appropriate approvals from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.
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