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April 6, 1998

Chevron USA Production Company P.O. Box 1150 Midiand, Texas 79702

Attn: Mr. Mickey F. Cohlmia

Re: Surface Commingling Application Cable '26' Lease Well Nos. 1 and 2 Unit Letters B and D, Section 26- 25S-26E Marquardt Federal Lease Well Nos. 4 and 7 Unit Letters L and N, Section 1-25S-26E Murchison '2' State Lease Well Nos. 1, 2, and 4 Unit Letters A, H and I, Section 2-25S-26E White City '6' Federal Well No. 1 Unit Letter L, Section 6-25S-27E Murchison '2' Production Battery Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Cohlmia:

We are in receipt of your application dated March 24, 1998, wherein you have requested our approval to surface commingle the production from the above wells.

We understand that production from the subject wells will be commingled and stored at the Murchison '2' State Lease tank battery located in Section 2-25S-26E, State Lease No. L-896-2.

Since it appears that there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico's beneficiaries as a result of your proposed operation, your request is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is given with the understanding that the Commissioner of Public Lands reserves the right to amend or withdraw his approval, should this operation prove to be unprofitable to the state at any time in the future. Also, our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and the Bureau of Land Management.

Please submit a copy of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's approval.

Your \$30.00 filing fee has been received.

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Please notify Ms. Debra Padilla of our Right-of-Way Section for further information regarding an easement through Section 2-25S-26E. Ms. Padilla's telephone number is 827-5729.

Please also contact Mr. Joe Lopez of our Commercial Resources Division at 827-4003 regarding a possible business lease on the tank battery site in Section 2-25S-26E.

Our approval is contingent upon Chevron obtaining all required easements.

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. COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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JAMI BAILEY, Director Oil, Gas and Minerals Division (505) 827-5744

RP/JB/cpm Enclosure Reader File Debra Padilla

OCD-Attention: David Catanach and Ben Stone Joe Lopez