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CASE 13374: APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION, THROUGH THE SUPERVISOR OF DISTRICT I, FOR AN ORDER DETERMINING THAT MGM OIL & GAS CO. KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY VIOLATED NMSA 1978, SECTION 70-2-31(B)(2), 19.15.13.115.A NMAC AND 19.15.4.201 NMAC; REQUIRING MGM OIL & GAS CO. TO BRING SIX WELLS INTO COMPLIANCE WITH 19.15.4.201 NMAC; ASSESSING APPROPRIATE CIVIL PENALTIES; AND IN THE EVENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION TO PLUG SAID WELLS AND FORFEIT THE APPLICABLE PLUGGING BOND; LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Dear Mr. Jones:

The applicant New Mexico Oil Conservation Division respectfully requests that the above matter be continued until the January 6, 2005 docket. This continuance will allow the Division to file an amended application seeking alternative relief, and allow time to provide the necessary notice to the parties.

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