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September 10, 2018

Robert Sandbo Continental Resources Inc. Bob.Sandbo@clr.com Heather Riley, Division Director Oil Conservation Division



RE: <u>Request for Time Extension to Complete a Proposed Well</u> Case No. 15904, R-14597 approved date March 2, 2018

Applicant/Operator: Continental Resources, Inc. <u>Proposed Well:</u> Reed 24 25 B State Well No. 1H, API No. 30-025-44248

Dear Sir or Madam:

The following pertains to your request received by the Division on September 7, 2018 and to the requirements in the captioned hearing order.

You have requested an extension of the 120-day time limit given by the Division in the captioned order in which to drill and complete at least one of the captioned wells after commencement of drilling operations on the first of the proposed wells.

As stated in your request, the operator has spud the well on May 24, 2018, and is coring and sidetracking, and anticipates at this time a mid-October completion date. Your letter requested a date of October 31st. The Division feels additional time should be given to allow completion of the well and submission of completion paperwork.

The operator is hereby given until January 1, 2019 as a time limit between the spud date of the referenced proposed well to the date the C-104 is approved. All other provisions of this order remain in full force and effect.

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cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs Case No. 15904 America's Oil Champion



VIA EMAIL: Heather.Riley@state.nm.us

September 7, 2018

Ms. Heather Riley Division Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Request for an extension of time to complete Continental Resources, Inc.'s Reed 24 25 B State 001H Well

Dear Ms. Riley:

On March 2, 2018, the Division issued Order No. R-14597 approving a 320-acre non-standard project area to be dedicated to Continental Resources, Inc.'s (CLR) Reed 24 25 B State 001H Well (API No. 30-025-44248) (Reed State Well). Ordering ¶ 7 requires that CLR drill and complete the Reed State Well within 120 days after the commencement of drilling unless an extension of time for completion is approved. Due to unforeseen circumstances and delays during drilling, CLR requests an extension of the current September 21 deadline for completing the well.

CLR spud the Reed State Well spud on May 24, 2018 with an anticipated drilling time of approximately 40 days. Due to the decision to drill a core, multiple trips due to drill bit issues, slower than anticipated drilling rates, and a sidetrack, the well did not officially TD, at a total depth of 20,967', until August 26, 2018. CLR has a completion crew scheduled to be on location by September 17, 2018 and anticipates it will take approximately two to three weeks to stimulate the well, with first production estimated to occur around mid-October.

Based on the circumstances presented above, CLR requests an extension of the deadline for completing the Reed State Well until October 31.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to email me at <u>bob.sandbo@clr.com</u> or call me at 405-234-9020. And if you would like to have an in-person meeting regarding this request, I'm willing and available to travel to Santa Fe for a meeting.

Thank you for your attention to and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Robert Sandbo Regulatory Compliance Supervisor

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