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STATE OF NEW MEXICOLOGIVED ()()() DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 14,764

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Read & Stevens, Inc., First Century Oil, Inc., Charles B. Read, Diamond Star Production Co., LLC, Betty Read Young and Laura K. Read (the "Opponents") by their attorneys, Vandiver & Bowman, P.C., move the Division for a continuance of the hearing in Case No. 14,764 which is scheduled on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 8:15 a.m. on the following grounds:

- 1. The Opponents received notice on December 21, 2011, that the Applicant had filed its application for a non-standard spacing and proration unit, an unorthodox location and compulsory polling and that the case has been scheduled for hearing before an examiner on January 5, 2012.
- 2. The Opponents' witnesses and staff were scheduled to be away from their offices during the Christmas and New Years holidays, and the Opponents have thus been unable to prepare for the hearing.

For the foregoing reasons, the Opponents request that the January 5, 2012 hearing in Case No. 14,764 be continued to a later date in order to allow the Opponents sufficient time to prepare for the hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on December 30, 2011, a copy of the foregoing Motion for Continuance was e-mailed to James Bruce at jamesbruc@aol.com and sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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