

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Lori Wrotenbery
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EGL Resources, Inc. Box 371 Midland, TX 70702

Re: Case No. 12811: Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an Order Requiring Operators to Bring Three Hundred Eighty-Eight (388) Wells into Compliance with Rule 201.B, and Assessing Appropriate Civil Penalties; Eddy, Chaves and Otero Counties, New Mexico.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Be advised that I have become aware of a conflict of interest in representing the Division in the captioned matter due to the fact that my family owns an interest in one of EGL's wells that is the subject of this proceeding.

Accordingly, I will be withdrawing as attorney for the Division in this case as to EGL only, and the matter will be referred to another member of the Departmental counsel staff. In the meantime, any inquiries should be directed to Stephen C. Ross, Assistant General Counsel, at the same address.

Very truly yours,

David K. Brooks Assistant General Counsel

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Stephen C. Ross, Assistant General Counsel