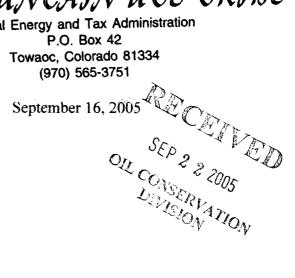
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Tribal Energy and Tax Administration



Mr. Richard Ezeanylm, Chief Engineer New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 So. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe. New Mexico 87505

Subject: **Application of XTO Energy Inc.** To Amend The Special Rules and **Regulations for the Ute Dome-**Paradox Gas Pool, and to Expand The Horizontal Limits of Said Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico

Case No. 13544

Dear Mr. Ezeanylm:

The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe supported XTO in their original application for in fill drilling in the Ute Dome Paradox field as presented on August 25, 2005 in Santa Fe, New Mexico before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

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With respect to subject amended application, the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe fully supports all of XTO's amendments in their entirety in amending the special rules and regulations for the Ute Dome-Paradox Gas Pool, and to expand the horizontal boundaries a second realized of the Pool.

Your granting of this application will be in the interests of conservation and the prevention of waste.

Yours very truly,

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Gordon Hammond **Director of Energy**

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