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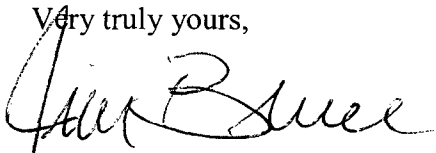
December 18, 2005

Florene Davidson  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Read & Stevens, Inc., are an original and one copy of an application for approval of a unit agreement, together with a proposed advertisement. The advertisement has also been e-mailed to the Division. Please set this matter for the January 19, 2006 Examiner hearing. Thanks.

Very truly yours,

  
James Bruce  
Attorney for Read & Stevens, Inc.

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Case 13631

**BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATION OF READ & STEVENS, INC.  
FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT,  
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 13631

**APPLICATION**

Read & Stevens, Inc. applies for an order approving the Unit Agreement for the proposed Pitchfork Unit Area, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in, and is the operator of, the proposed Pitchfork Unit Area, an exploratory unit comprising 1270.08 acres of federal and fee lands in Chaves County, New Mexico, described as follows:

Township 6 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 7: Lots 1-4, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ , and E $\frac{1}{2}$  (All)

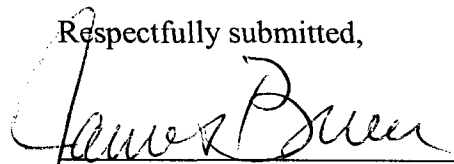
Section 18: Lots 1-4, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ , and E $\frac{1}{2}$  (All)

2. The proposed unit area has been preliminarily approved by the United States Bureau of Land Management as a logical unit, which will conserve natural resources.

3. The approval of this application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

**WHEREFORE**, applicant requests that, after hearing, the Division enter its order approving the relief requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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