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Ashley Roush

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April 20, 2015

Alice Crouch  
4508 Banister Lane  
Austin, TX 78745

RE: Lease Amendment  
Township 17 South, Range 32 East  
Section 4: SESE; Section 9: NENE, S2NE, N2SE  
Section 10: SWNW, NWSW; Section 11: W2  
Section 14: NW  
Lea County, NM

Dear Ms. Crouch,

According to an updated title report we received, you appear to own a mineral interest in the Oil and Gas Lease dated January 12, 1938, from Andrew C. Taylor and Nettie Taylor, his wife; and Zachary L. Taylor and Willie Taylor, his wife, as lessors, to The Ohio Oil Company, as lessee, which is recorded at Volume 35, Page 277, Oil and Gas Records, Lea County, New Mexico. COG Operating, LLC (COG) is the current lessee.

This lease doesn't have any pooling language. Pooling is the combining of small tracts into a unit large enough to meet state spacing regulations for drilling permits. COG plans to horizontally develop your tract with other tracts of land which produces more oil and gas. More production benefits the lessors by generating more revenue.

I have enclosed an amendment to your oil and gas lease to include a pooling provision that allows COG to pool your lands with other lands. Please sign and return the amendment to the undersigned.

Please contact the undersigned at 432-230-3388 or [aroush@concho.com](mailto:aroush@concho.com) with any questions.

Sincerely,

Ashley Roush

**BEFORE THE OIL CONVERSION  
COMMISSION**

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Exhibit No. 9

Submitted by: **COG OPERATING INC.**

Hearing Date: November 5, 2015