STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

APPLICATION OF HUDSON OIL COMPANY OF TEXAS, WILLIAM A. HUDSON, AND EDWARD R. HUDSON FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 13,598

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Ard Oil, Ltd. and Ard Fnergy Group, Ltd. (the "Ard Interests") move for a continuance in this matter, and in support thereof, state:

- 1. This matter is currently set for hearing on February 16, 2006.
- 2. The Ard Interests have obtained two sets of subpoenas from the Division in this case, and have served them on applicants. They are as follows:
 - (a) Three subpoenas, ordering William A. Hudson, II, Edward R. Hudson, Jr., and E. Randall Hudson, III to appear at hearing and testify. Applicants moved to quash the subpoenas, and that issue has not yet been resolved by the Division; and
 - (b) A subpoena duces tecum requiring the production of certain data by applicants (other than geophysical data). Although no motion to quash has been filed on this subpoena, the requested documents (except for some very limited data) have not been produced to the Ard Interests.
- 3. The undersigned will be out of town, on a business trip, until the afternoon of February 15, 2006. In addition, there is limited time before hearing to resolve the subpoena

issues, which will affect the ability of the Ard Interests to prepare for hearing, as well as travel arrangements of the parties to the hearing.

4. As a result of the foregoing, the Ard Interests request that the case be continued from the February 16th docket.

WHEREFORE, the Ard Entities request that this case be continued to a later date to allow outstanding issues to be resolved.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 1216 day of February, 2006 by facsimile transmission:

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