

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

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO ARriba COUNTY
FOR CANCELLATION OR SUSPENSION OF APPLICATIONS
FOR PERMITS TO DRILL (APD'S) FILED BY APPROACH
OPERATING, LLC, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 14134

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF APPROACH
OPERATING, LLC FOR APPROVAL OF SIX APPLICATIONS FOR
PERMITS TO DRILL, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 14141

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Pursuant to NMAC 19.15.4.10(B), Steven Sugarman hereby enters his formal appearance in these cases on behalf of the Rice Family Living Trust ("Trust"). The undersigned counsel is filing a Notice of Intervention in these cases concurrently with this Notice of Appearance.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Steven Sugarman
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was sent by e-mail to Ms. Cheryl Bada (attorney for the Commission) at cbada@state.nm.us, by e-mail to Mr. J. Scott Hall (attorney for the Applicant) at shall@montand.com, and by e-mail to Mr. Adan Trujillo (attorney for Rio Arriba County) at adantrujillo@gmail.com on this 30th day of September, 2009.

/s/ Steven Sugarman
Steven Sugarman