

2009 MAY 27 PM 2 04

Bill Richardson Governor

Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary James Noel Deputy Cabinet Secretary Mark Fesmire Division Director Oil Conservation Division



May 27, 2009

Richard Ezeanyim, Hearing Examiner EMNRD-OCD 1220 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505

Hand-delivered

## Re: Case 14321, Kevin O. Butler & Assoc., Inc. [OGRID 12627]. – Inactive Wells & Financial Assurance Noncompliance

Dear Mr. Ezeanyim:

The above-referenced matter is currently scheduled to be heard on June 2, 2009 at 8:15 a.m. The parties are currently engaged in discussions and are considering the possibility that a resolution can be reached without the need for a full hearing. The OCD therefore requests that the matter be continued to July 23, 2009 to allow the parties additional time to address the issues raised by the Application and attempt to come to a resolution. Kevin O. Butler & Associates, Inc. joins in this request.

Sincerel

Mikal Altomare Assistant General Counsel

CC: <u>Via Email:</u> Kevin O. Butler Kevin O. Butler & Assoc., Inc. <u>KEVNBUTLR@aol.com</u>

Carter Copeland MTI Energy <u>Carter.copeland@comcast.net</u>

In-House EC:

Daniel Sanchez, Compliance and Enforcement Manager Buddy Hill, Supervisor, Hobbs District Office Gail MacQuesten, Assistant General Counsel

