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VIA: CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Case No. 12771: **Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an Order Requiring Operators to Bring Sixty-Two (62) Wells into Compliance with Rule 201.B, and Assessing Appropriate Civil Penalties; Lea, Roosevelt and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has filed the referenced Application, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, seeking an Order requiring you to bring specified inactive wells in Lea, Roosevelt and Chaves Counties, New Mexico into compliance with Division Rule 201.B, by either restoring such wells to production or beneficial use, permanently abandoning or temporarily abandoning them. In addition, the Division seeks assessment of civil penalties for your failure to comply with previous administrative notices to bring these wells into compliance.

A hearing on this Application will take place before a Division hearing officer on Thursday, November 15, 2001, at 8:15 a.m., in the Division Hearing Room, First Floor, 1220 South St. Francis Drive in Santa Fe, New Mexico. At that hearing you will have an opportunity to show cause, if any there be, why an order should not be entered as requested in the Application.

Operational inquiries concerning the subject of this hearing should be directed to Mr. Chris Williams, District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Division, 1625 French Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240; phone (505)-393-6161. Counsel may contact the undersigned in the Santa Fe office at (505)-476-3450.

Very truly yours,

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