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Re: Claim No.: 22817

Bond No.: DLI 867464

Principal: Diamond Back Petroleum, Inc.

Company: Northwestern National Insurance Company/

Old Republic Surety Company

Dear Mr. Carroll:

We have been advised by Pride Petroleum Services that it will begin plugging the two oil wells shortly after Christmas. The work should be done prior to the hearing date of January 4, 1996. Given the assurances that we have received from Pride Petroleum, would you please agree to continue, if not cancel, the hearing? Thank you for your anticipated prompt response.

Very truly yours,

OLD REPUBLIC SURETY

Paul S. Guardalabene

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