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May 23, 1997

Burlington Resources, Inc. 3535 East 30th St. P.O. Box 4289 Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289 Attention: James J. Strickler

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Re: Marcotte #2 Pennsylvanian formation Section 8, T31N-R10W San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Total Minatome Corporation (TMC) agrees to participate in the above referenced well per the terms and conditions of the Farmout and Operating Agreement dated November 27, 1951, between Brookhaven Oil Company and San Juan Production Company, as amended and supplemented.

Enclosed is one fully executed copy of your participation letter dated April 22, 1997 on behalf of TMC.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Gilchrist Landman





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