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<u>VIA FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION TO (505) 827-8177</u> AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Lori Wrotenbery, Division Director New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case No. 12122 -- Application of Conoco, Inc.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

We represent the Estate of Glenn D. Hughes. On behalf of the Estate, we hereby request a four (4) week continuance of the Oil Conservation Division hearing to March 4, 1999 in connection with the above-referenced case. Our basis for requesting the continuance is set forth in our letter to W. Thomas Kellahin, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>. We are not aware of any objections to our request for continuance.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Enclosure

cc: W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.

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Re: Case No. 12122 -- Application of Conoco, Inc.

Dear Tom:

We represent the Estate of Glenn D. Hughes in connection with the captioned case. The purpose of this letter is to request a four (4) week continuance to March 4, 1999.

We are requesting a continuance so that we can identify the Estate's interest in the San Juan 28-7 Unit. In this regard, we would note that we do not currently have adequate information regarding the Estate's interest. We believe, however, that we can ascertain the Estate's interest in the 28-7 Unit if we have a little more time. If Conoco has any information that will help us in determining the Estate's interest in the 28-7 Unit, we would appreciate it if you would provide such information to us as soon as possible. We also need additional time to evaluate Conoco's application and consider its implications with respect to the Estate's interest.

Since we were unable to reach you by telephone (your answering machine indicated that you would be out until Friday, January 29, 1999) and since the hearing is presently scheduled for next Thursday, February 4, 1999, we are making a formal request for a continuance to the OCD. Please let me know your position regarding our request for the continuance as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

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cc: Richard D. Hughes, Personal Representative

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