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 Oil Conservation Division
 2040 South Pacheco Street
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Case 12131

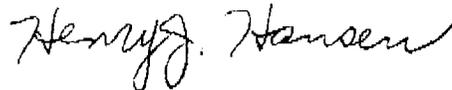
RE: Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc.
 Administrative Application for an Unorthodox location
 Rio Blanco "4" Fed. Com. Well No. 2
 660 feet FSL and 660 feet FWL
 S/2 Sec. 4, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, NMPM
 Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

On January 8, 1999 Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc. made the referenced Application for an Onorthodox location for the Rio Blanco "4" Fed. Com. Well No. 2. Please be advised that as an offset working interest owner in Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, NMPM Amerada Hess Corporation opposes Santa Fe's Application

Yours truly,

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