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

Re: Withdrawal of May 18, 1999 Subpoena Duces Tecum
Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12186
Application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On May 18, 1999, you issued, at our request on behalf of Ameristate Oil and Gas, Inc., a subpoena duces tecum. The subpoena directed the applicant in this case, Chesapeake Operating Inc. to produce certain documents, and has been the subject of a Motion to Quash filed on behalf of Chesapeake on May 26, 1999, and a Response to that Motion filed by this office on June 22, 1999.

Ameristate requests that the subpoena issued on May 18, 1999, be immediately withdrawn by the Division.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Paul R Owen

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cc: Mark Ashley, Hearing Examiner (via hand-delivery)

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