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VIA HAND DELIVERY

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New Mexico Department of Energy,
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C2677-9 PN 3:24

Re: Oil Conservation Division Case 12320: The application of Chevron U.S.A. Production Company for approval to convert the EMSU Wells No. 210, 212, 222,252 and 258 to Injection in the Eunice Monument South Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

Chevron U.S.A. Production Company hereby withdraws its application in the above-referenced case and requests that Case No. 12320 be dismissed and Order No. R-7766-B be rescinded. Chevron does not at this time intend to use the wells which are the subject of this application for injection and additional hearings on this application are unnecessary. Furthermore, rescission of Order No. R-7766-B will remove from the records of the Oil Conservation Division the findings which are the subject of the Application for Hearing de novo filed in this case by Doyle Hartman, Oil Operator.

This request for rescission of Order No. R-7766-B has been reviewed with J. E. Gallegos, attorney for Mr. Hartman. Mr. Hartman does not oppose this request for withdrawal of the Chevron application, dismissal of case 12320 and rescission of Division Order No. R-7766-B.

Should Chevron determine that some time in the future that the wells which the subject of this application are needed for injection into the Eunice Monument South Unit Waterflood Project, a new application will be filed and notice provided as required by Division rules.

Enclosed for your consideration is a proposed order dismissing this case and rescinding order No. R-7766-B.

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Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U. S. A. PRODUCTION CO. FOR APPROVAL TO CONVERT THE EMSU WELLS NO.210, 212,222, 252 AND 258 TO INJECTIONIN THE EUNICE MONUMENT SOUTH UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12320 ORDER NO. R-7766-C

CHEVRON U.S.A. PRODUCTION CO.'S PROPOSED ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on April 18, 2002, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner David Catanach.

Now this __ day of April, 2002, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner,

FINDS THAT:

- 1. On November 10, 1999, Chevron filed an administrative application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking authorization to convert its Eunice Monument South Unit ("EMSU") wells 210, 212, 222, 252 and 258 for the injection of water into the Grayburg formation in the Chevron-operated Eunice Monument South Unit Waterflood Project.
- 2. Chevron's application was set for hearing before an examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on March 2, 2000 at which time Chevron presented evidence in support of its application and Doyle Hartman, an operator of wells in the area, appeared through his attorney and cross examined the Chevron witnesses.
 - 3. On March 29, 2000, the Division entered Order No. R- 7766-B.
- 4. Hartman timely filed an application for hearing de novo in Case 12320 and the case was remanded to the Division for further proceedings.
- 5. Chevron U.S.A. Production Co. has withdrawn its application in this case and requests Case No. 12320 be dismissed and Order No. R-7766-B be rescinded.
- 6. The applicant's request for dismissal should be granted and Order No. R-7766-B should be rescinded.

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7. With the rescission of Order No. R-7766-B, the application for hearing <u>de</u> novo is most and should also be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Case No. 12320 is dismissed.
- 2. Order No. R-7766-B is rescinded.
- 3. The <u>de novo</u> appeal of Order No. R-7766-C is <u>dismissed</u>.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

LORI WROTENBERY Director

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