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Case 12646

Re: Application of Strata Production Company for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Enclosed in triplicate is the application of Strata Production Company in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Strata Production Company respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the Thursday, May 3, 2001 Examiner hearings.

Ver truly yours, vin. Jr. Sealv H

SHC/sks Enclosures

cc: Jo McInerney, Landman, Strata Production Company