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August 14, 2001

Via Fax 505-622-4221 and Certified U.S. Mail-Return Receipt Requested

Harvey E. Yates Company and Shinnery Investment Company P.O. Box 1933 Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1933

Attn: Vernon Dyer

Re: Order No. R-11636 Esperanza "15" State Com. #1 Well E/2 of Section 15, T21S, R27E Eddy County, New Mexico

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the terms of Ordering Paragraph (6) of the referenced Order, enclosed for your further handling is a copy of our AFE dated May 31, 2001 (an estimated well cost) for the captioned well.

In the event you elect to participate in the drilling and completion of the captioned well, please forward the undersigned your proportionate part of the estimated well cost within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter.

Enclosed for your information regarding the above is a copy of the referenced Order.

Sincerely yours,

MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY

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D. Paul Haden Senior Landman

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