

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared DAVID K. BROOKS, well known to me to be a credible person, and after being duly sworn, did solemnly declare upon his oath as follows:

"My name is David K. Brooks. I am employed by the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department of the State of New Mexico as Assistant General Counsel.

"I am attorney of record for the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, as Applicant, in Case No. 12770, Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an Order Requiring Ordering Sierra Blanca Operating Company to Properly Plug Ninety (90) Wells in Lea County, New Mexico, Authorizing the Division to Plug Said Wells and Ordering a Forfeiture of Applicable Plugging Bonds and Cash Collateral.

"On October 25, 2001, I prepared a letter to Sierra Blanca Operating Company and to each of the surety companies named as respondents in the Application filed in Case No. 12770. Attachment A to this Affidavit is a true copy of the letter that I prepared. I then caused a copy of Attachment A to be mailed to Sierra Blanca Operating Company at each of the addresses indicated on the second page of Attachment A. These are all of the addresses for Sierra Blanca Operating Company reflected in the files of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division or in the corporate records of the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission. I further caused a copy of Attachment A to be mailed to each of the surety companies named on the second page of Attachment A, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. A copy of the Application filed with the Division is Case No. 12770 was enclosed with each letter.

"A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Underwriters Indemnity Co., by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and received by said company, as evidenced by receipt for certified mail and postal return receipt true copies whereof are attached hereto as Attachment B.

"A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to International Fidelity Insurance Company, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and received by said company, as evidenced by receipt for certified mail and postal return receipt true copies whereof are attached hereto as Attachment C.

"A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Sierra Blanca Operating Company, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at the address shown on Attachment D and was returned marked "Unclaimed," as reflected by copy of postal receipt and envelope face attached hereto as Attachment D.

"A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Sierra Blanca Operating Company, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at each of the addresses shown on Attachments E through H, and each of said letters was returned as by

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the United States Postal Service undelivered, as evidenced by copies of receipts for certified mail and envelope faces attached hereto as Attachments E through H.

“A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Sierra Blanca Operating Company, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at the address shown on Attachment I, and was returned to the Division with an indication ‘Return to Sender - Attempted – Not Known – Unable to Forward,’ notwithstanding that the return receipt, indicating receipt by ‘M. Balink’ was also returned to the Division, as evidenced by copies of the postal receipt, return receipt and envelope face attached hereto as Attachment I.

“A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Sierra Operating Company, c/o Clyde A. Lilley, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at the address shown on Attachment J, and was returned to the Division with an indication ‘Not Deliverable as Addressed – Unable to Forward,’ notwithstanding that the return receipt, indicating receipt by ‘M. Balink’ was also returned to the Division, as evidenced by copies of the postal receipt, return receipt and envelope face attached hereto as Attachment J.

“A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Sierra Operating Company, c/o Clyde A. Lilley, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at the address shown on Attachment K, as evidenced by copy of postal receipt attached hereto as Attachment K. Said letter has not been returned to the Oil Conservation Division, nor has the return receipt mailed therewith been returned to the Division.

“A copy of the notification letter (Attachment A) was sent to Sierra Operating Company, c/o Rick Dickerson, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at the address shown on Attachment L, an address furnished by the Railroad Commission of Texas, as evidenced by copy of postal receipt attached hereto as Attachment L. Said letter has not been returned to the Oil Conservation Division, nor has the return receipt mailed therewith been returned to the Division.

Further Affiant sayeth not.


David K. Brooks

Subscribed and sworn to in the City of Santa Fe, County of Santa Fe, State of New Mexico, this 15th day of November, 2001. Witness my hand and seal of office.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a final flourish, positioned above a horizontal line.

Notary Public
State of New Mexico

[SEAL]

My commission expires 2/18, 2003



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

GARY E. JOHNSON

Governor

Jennifer A. Salisbury

Cabinet Secretary

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

Oil Conservation Division

October 25, 2001

Case 12770

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has filed the referenced Application, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, seeking an Order requiring Sierra Blanca Operating Company or its sureties to properly plug and abandon Ninety (90) wells located in Lea County, New Mexico, specifically identified in said application.

A hearing on this Application will take place before a Division hearing officer on Thursday, November 15, 2001, at 8:15 a.m., in the Division Hearing Room, First Floor, 1220 South St. Francis Drive in Santa Fe, New Mexico. At that hearing you will have an opportunity to show cause, if any there be, why an order should not be entered as requested in the Application.

Inquiries concerning this application may be directed to the undersigned in the Santa Fe office at (505)-476-3450.

Very truly yours,

David K. Brooks

Assistant General Counsel

Attachment A

October 24, 2001

Sierra Blanca Operating Company
808 Turner
Cleburne, TX 76031

Underwriters Indemnity Company
8 Greenway Plaza, Suite 400
Houston, TX 77046

301 N. Main
Roswell, NM 88201

International Fidelity Insurance Company
1309 Broadway
Little Rock, AR 72202

728 Briar Lane
Rockdale, TX 76567

International Fidelity Insurance Company
One Newark Center, 20th Floor
Newark, NJ 07102-5207

C/o Clyde A. Lilley
119 N. Washington Ave, Suite 6

P.O.Box 708
Marble Falls, TX 78654

110 Avenue H, Suite 208
Marble Falls, TX 78654

C/o Rick Dickerson
6350 New Braunfels, Suite 214
San Antonio, TX 78209

210 Angeles
Ruidoso, NM 88345

P.O.Box 1623
Ruidoso, NM 88345

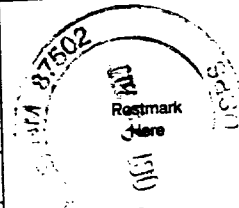
VIA: CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Case No. 12770 : Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an Order Requiring Sierra Blanca Operating Company to Properly Plug Ninety (90) Wells in Lea County, New Mexico, Authorizing the Division to Plug Said Wells and Ordering a Forfeiture of Applicable Plugging Bonds and Cash Collateral.

U.S. Postal Service
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Postage	\$
Certified Fee	
Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



Recipient's Name *(Please Print Clearly) (To be completed by mailer)*

Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No.

City, State, ZIP+ 4

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- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Underwriters Indemnity Co.
 8 Greenway Plaza, Suite 400
 Houston, TX 77046

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Received by *(Please Print Clearly)* **P. TAYLOR** B. Date of Delivery **10-28-01**

C. Signature **P. Taylor** ☐ Agent
☐ Addressee

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes
 If YES, enter delivery address below: ☐ No

3. Service Type
☒ Certified Mail ☐ Express Mail
☐ Registered ☐ Return Receipt for Merchandise
☐ Insured Mail ☐ C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? *(Extra Fee)* ☐ Yes

2. Article Number *(Copy from service label)*

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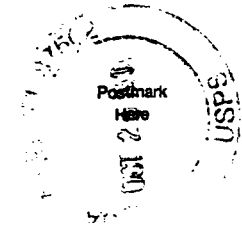
Attachment B

U.S. Postal Service
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(Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

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Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (To be completed by mailer)
International Fidelity Insurance Co.
Street, Apt. No.; or PO Box No.
One Newark Center, 20th Floor
City, State, ZIP+ 4 Newark, NJ 07102-5207

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<p>1. Article Addressed to: <u>International Fidelity Insurance Company</u> <u>One Newark Center, 20th Floor</u> <u>Newark, New Jersey 07102-5207</u></p>	<p>3. Service Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Registered <input type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt for Merchandise <input type="checkbox"/> Insured Mail <input type="checkbox"/> C.O.D.</p>
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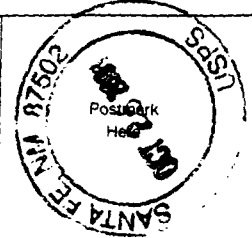
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Total Postage & Fees	\$



Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (to be completed by mailer)

Sierra Blanca Operating Co.

Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. **808 Turner**

City, State, ZIP+4 **Cleburne, TX 76031**

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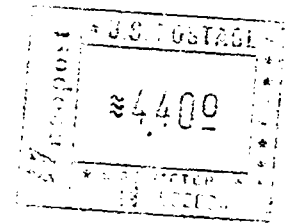
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808 Turner

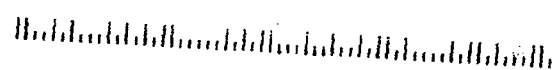
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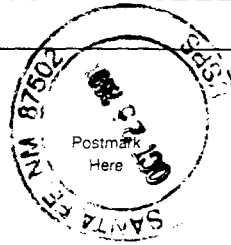


Attachment D

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Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



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Sierra Blanca Operating Co.

Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. **728 Briar Lane**

City, State, ZIP+4 **Rockdale, TX 76567**

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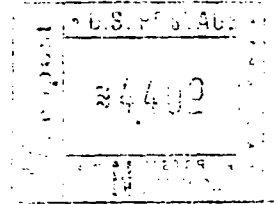
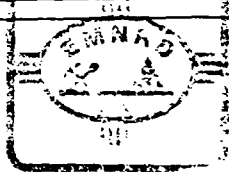
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Saint Francis Drive
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New Mexico 87505

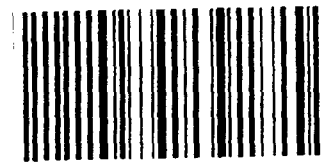
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 728 Briar Lane
 Rockdale, TX 76567



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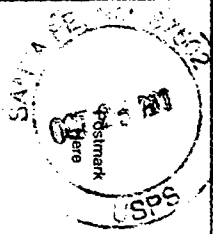


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Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



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 Sierra Blanca Operating Company
 Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. PO Box 1623
 City, State, ZIP+4 Ruidoso, NM 88345

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State of New Mexico
ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

1220 South Saint Francis Drive
 P.O. Box 6429
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508-6429

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 Santa Fe, NM

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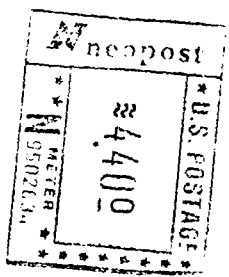
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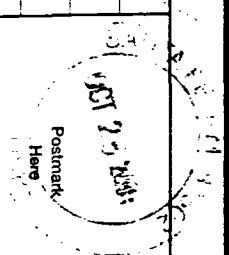
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Attachment F

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Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)		
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 Sierra Blanca Operating Co
 Street, Apt. No.; or PO Box No. 210 Angeles
 City, State, ZIP+ 4 Ruidoso, NM 88345
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State of New Mexico
ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

1220 South Saint Francis Drive
 P.O. Box 6429
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-5472

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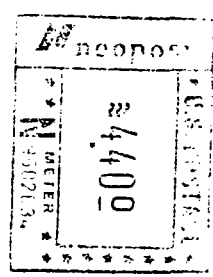
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 POSTAGE DUE
 SENDER
 Ruidoso, NM 88345

Sierra Blanca Operating Company
 210 Angeles

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Insured Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$

Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (to be completed by addressee)
 Sierra Blanca Operating Company
 Street Apt. No. or P.O. Box No.
 110 Avenue H, Suite 208
 City, State, ZIP+4[®] Marble Falls, TX 78654

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ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

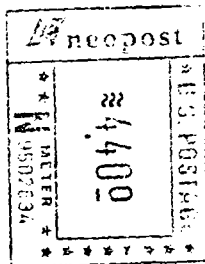
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 110 Avenue H, Suite 208
 Marble Falls, TX 78654

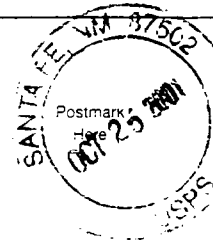


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Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (to be completed by mailer)
Sierra Blanca Operating Co.
Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No.
301 N. Main
City, State, ZIP+4
Roswell, NM 88201

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1. Article Addressed to:

Sierra Blanca Operating Co.
301 N. Main
Roswell, NM 88201

2. Article Number (Copy from service label)

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Domestic Return Receipt

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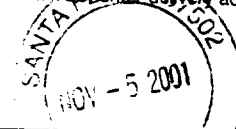
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C. Signature

X M Balink

☐ Agent
☐ Addressee

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes
If YES, enter delivery address below: ☐ No



3. Service Type

☒ Certified Mail ☐ Express Mail
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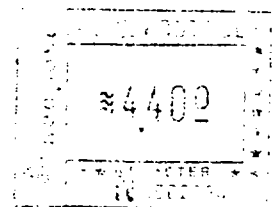
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MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Saint Francis Drive

29

New Mexico 87505-5472



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Roswell, NM 88201

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Attachment I

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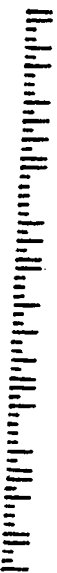
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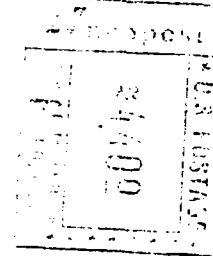
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NOT RELEASABLE
 AS APPROPRIATE
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Sierra Blanca Operating Company
 c/o Clyde A. Lilley
 119 N. Washington Ave, Suite 6
 Marble Falls, TX 78654



U.S. Postal Service
CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT
 (Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

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Certified Fee	
Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (to be completed by addressee)
Sierra Blanca Operating Company
 c/o Clyde A. Lilley
 119 N. Washington Ave
 Marble Falls, TX 78654

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Sierra Blanca Operating Co.
 c/o Clyde A. Lilley
 119 N. Washington Ave. Ste 6
 Marble Falls, TX 78654

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Received by (Please Print Clearly) B. Date of Delivery

C. Signature ☐ Agent ☐ Addressee

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If YES, enter delivery address below:

3. Service Type

☒ Certified Mail ☐ Registered ☐ Return Receipt for Merchandise
☐ Insured Mail ☐ C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) ☐ Yes

2. Article Number (Copy from service label) 7099 3400 0018 3915 7217

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Domestic Return Receipt

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Attachment J

U.S. Postal Service:
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(Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

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Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	
Total Postage & Fees	\$



Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (to be completed by mailer)

Sierra Blanca Operating Company

Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No.

PO Box 708

C/o Clyde A Lilley

City, State, ZIP+4

Marble Falls, TX 78654

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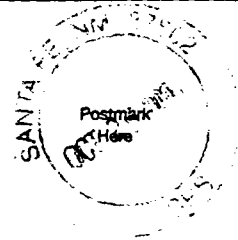
Attachment K

U.S. Postal Service
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Recipient's Name (Please Print Clearly) (To be completed by mailer)	
Sierra Blanca Operating Co.	
Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. 6350 New Braunfels, Ste 214 c/o Rick Dickerson	
City, State, ZIP+4 San Antonio, TX 78209	

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Attachment L