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August 2, 2001

Mr. Frank G. Holtemann P. O. Box 703 Nipomo, California 93444

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Case No. 12775 Exhibit No. — A Concho Resources, Inc.
Concho Date: December 6, 2001
Hearing Submitted By:

Re:

Well Proposal

Concho Oil & Gas Corp.

Big "D" State #1

Township 16 South, Range 34 East, NMPM Section 6: Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13 and 14

(N2/3 W/2)

1,200' FWL & 3,498' FNL Lea County, New Mexico Sundance Prospect (306070-01)

Dear Mr. Holtemann:

Please be advised that Concho Oil & Gas Corp. hereby proposes to drill the above referenced Big "D" State #1 Well as a 13,000-foot Morrow test. The above described lots comprise the N 2/3 of W/2 Section 6 and will be the 298.36 acre unit for the proposed well.

Enclosed are two copies of Concho's Authority For Expenditure estimating the dry hole cost of the proposed well at \$1,012,000 and completion costs of \$370,000 for a total completed well cost of \$1,382,000. If you desire to participate in the proposed test, please so indicate by signing and returning one copy of the Authority For Expenditure to the undersigned. If you do not wish to participate, Concho would consider acquiring your interest pursuant to the terms of a mutually agreeable Farmout Agreement or Term Assignment.

A Joint Operating Agreement covering the unit for the proposed Big "D" State #1 will be forwarded to you shortly for approval. It will be substantially the same as the expired Sundance Prospect Operating Agreement.

Concho would like to drill this well as soon as possible. Your early response to this proposal would certainly be appreciated. Should you have any questions in this regard, please advise.

Yours truly,

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