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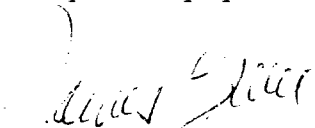
David K. Brooks  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 12787 (Chesapeake Operating, Inc.)

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Southwestern Energy Production Company ("Southwestern") filed its competing pooling application on January 8th. Therefore, in accordance with your January 8th letter, Southwestern requests that the above case be continued to the February 7th docket.

Very truly yours,



James Bruce

Attorney for Southwestern  
Energy Production Company

cc: W. Thomas Kellahin

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