JAMES BRUCE ATTORNEY AT LAW

POST OFFICE BOX 1056 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504

324 MCKENZIE STREET SANTA PE, NEW MEXICO 87501

(505) 982-2043 (505) 982-2151 (FAX)

May 1, 2002

Yia Fax

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

Re: Case Nos. 12816, 12841, 12859, and 12860

Dear Mr. Brooks:

I am available for a pre-hearing conference on May 14th. However, due to Ocean's time constraints in drilling under its farmout, it respectfully requests that the matter be moved up one week: That is, Ocean requests a pre-hearing conference on the afternoon of Tuesday, May 7th, with a special hearing date on May 9th (and 10th, if necessary). Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Ocean Energy, Inc.

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

LAW OFFICES

RANNE B. MILLER ALAN C. TORGERSON ALICE T. LORENZ GREGORY W. CHASE STEPHEN M. WILLIAMS STEPHAN M. VIDMAR SETH V. BINGHAM TIMOTHY R. BRIGGS RUDOLPH LUCERO DEBORAH A. SOLOVE GARY L. GORDON LAWRENCE R. WHITE SHARON P. GROSS VIRGINIA ANDERMAN MARTE D. LIGHTSTONE J. SCOTT HALLS THOMAS R. MACK TERRI S. BEACH THOMAS M. DOMME RUTH O. PREGENZER JEFFREY E. JONES

ROBIN A. GOBLE JAMES R. WOOD DANA M. KYLE KIRK R. ALLEN RUTH FUESS KYLE M. FINCH H. BROOK LASKEY KATHERINE W. HALL PAULA G. MAYNES MICHAEL C ROSS CARLA PRANDO KATHERINE N. BLACKETT JENNIFER L. STONE ANDREW M. SANCHEZ M. DYLAN O'REILLY JENNIFER D. HALL JENNIFER L. OLSON TODD A. SCHWARZ JULIE A. COLEMAN TIMOTHY L. BUTLER

COUNSEL ROSS B. PERKAL JAMES J. WIDLAND GARY RISLEY

BRADLEY D. TEPPER** NELL GRAHAM SALE

OF COUNSEL WILLIAM K. STRATVERT JAMES B. COLLINS

ALBUQUERQUE, NM

500 MARQUETTE NW, SUITE 1100 P.O. BOX 25687 (87125-0687) ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87102 TELEPHONE: (505) 842-1950 (800) 424-7585 FACSIMILE: (505) 243-4408

150 WASHINGTON AVE., SUITE 300 P.O. BOX 1986 (87504-1986) SANTA FE, NM 87501 TELEPHONE: (505) 989-9614 FACSIMILE: (505) 989-9857

SANTA FE, NM

LAS CRUCES, NM

1125 SOUTH MAIN ST., SUITE B P.O. BOX 1209 (88004-1209) LAS CRUCES, NM 88005 TELEPHONE: (505) 523-2481 FACSIMILE: (505) 526-2215

PLEASE REPLY TO SANTA FE

FARMINGTON, NM

300 WEST ARRINGTON, SUITE 300 P.O. BOX 869 (87499-0869) FARMINGTON, NM 87401 TELEPHONE: (505) 326-4521 FACSIMILE: (505) 325-5474

NEW MEXICO BOARD OF SPECIALIZATION RECOGNIZED SPECIALIST IN NATURAL RESOURCES - OIL & GAS LAW
 NEW MEXICO BOARD OF SPECIALIZATION RECOGNIZED SPECIALIST IN REAL ESTATE LAW

April 30, 2002

VIA FACSIMILE

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

> New Mexico Oil Conservation Case No. 12859; Application of David H. Arrington Re: Oil and Gas, Inc. For Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

New Mexico Oil Conservation Case No. 12860; Application of Ocean Energy, Inc. For Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

New Mexico Oil Conservation Case No. 12841; Application of Ocean Energy, Inc. For Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

New Mexico Oil Conservation Case No. 12816; Application of TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc. For Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Brooks:

In accordance with Mr. Kellahin's request received earlier today, this will confirm that I am available to attend a pre-hearing conference on May 14, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. in the Division's conference room.

Very truly yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

1.) way - Jall

J. Scott Hall

JSH/glb

Bill Baker cc:

Counsel of Record



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

GARY E. JOHNSON

Governor

Betty Rivera

Cabinet Secretary

April 30, 2002

Lori Wrotenbery
Director
Oil Conservation Division

Mr. Ernest Carroll Losee, Carson, Haas & Carroll, P.A. P.O.Box 1720 Artesia, NM 88211-1720

Mr. J. Scott Hall Miller, Stratvert & Torgeson, P.A. P.O.Box 1986 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1986

Mr. W. Thomas Kellahin Kellahin and Kellahin P.O.Box 2265 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2265

Mr. William F. Carr Holland & Hart and Cambell & Carr P.O.Box 2208 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2208

Re: Applications for Compulsory Pooling affections Section 25-16S-35E, Lea County, New Mexico:
Cases No. 12816, 12851, 12859 and 12860

Gentlemen:

The captioned cases are continued to the May 16, 2002 examiner docket

Unless I am advised that any of you cannot be available, there will be a pre-hearing conference concerning theses cases on Tuesday, May 14. 2002 at 9:00 A.M. in the Division offices. You may attend in person or by telephone. Those wishing to attend by telephone should notify me in advance so we will know to call you.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (505)-476-3450.

Very truly yours,

David K. Brooks Assistant General Counsel

Hon. Michael E. Stogner

W. THOMAS KELLAHIN'

"NEW MEXICO BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIAL! RECOGNIZED SPECIALIST IN THE AREA O NATURAL RESOURCES-OIL AND GAS LAW

JASON KELLAHIN (RETIRED 1991)

KELLAHIN AND KELLAHIN

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

EL PATIO BUILDING

117 NORTH GUADALUFE

POST OFFICE BOX 2265

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-2265

April 30, 2002

TELEPHONE (BOE) 982-4295

TELEFAX (505) 982-2047

Via Facsimile

EGAL SPECIALIZATION

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

Re:

NMOCD Case 13816 Application of TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc. for compulsory moling N/2 (Well in Unit E) Section 25, T16S, R35E Lea County. New Mexico.

NMOCD Case 12859 Application of David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc. for compulsory proling E/2 (Well in Unit A) Section 25, T16S, R35E, Lea County, New Mexico.

NMOCD Case 12860 Application of Ocean Energy, Inc for compulsory pooling W/2 (Well in Unit &) Section 25, T16S, R35E Lea County, New Mexico.

NMOCD Case 12841 Application of Osean Energy, Inc for compulsory pooling W/2 (Well in Unit E) Section 25, T16S, R35E Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Brooks:

This morning you asked me to inform all counsel that you were continuing the referenced cases currently set for hearing on May 2, 2002 to the May 16, 2002 docket in order to provide time to schedule a prehearing conference on May 14, 2002.

By copy of this letter, I am requesting all counsel to confirm that they can be present in the Division conference room at 10:00 AM, Tuesday, May 14, 2002 for the purpose of:

Oil Conservation Division April 30, 2002 -Page 2-

- (1) having the Division decide TMBR/Sharp's Motion to Dismiss Cases 12841, 12859, 12860 and Continue Case 12816;
- (2) discuss a Special Examiner's hearing date in the event any of these cases is to proceed to a hearing.

Very truly yours

W. Thomas Kellahin

cfx: Michael E. Stogner, Examiner

James Bruce, Esq. (505) 982-2151 Attorney for Ocean Energy. Inc.

William F. Carr. Esq. (505) 983-6043
Attorney for Yates Petroleum Corporation

Ernest Carroll, Esq. (505) 746-6316 Attorney for David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc.

Scott Hall, Esq. (505) 989-9857
Attorney for David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc

TMBR/Sharp (915) 683-672 Rick Montgomery, Esq. Susan Richardson, Esq.