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Hand Delivered

Lori Wrotenbery
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 12864; application of Manzano Oil Corporation
("Manzano") for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea
County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Due to a conflict, Mr. Carr had to withdraw from representing the
applicant, and I now represent Manzano in this matter.

The above application was filed due to an objection from Paladin
Energy Corp. ("Paladin"). Paladin was notified of the hearing in
this matter, as shown on Exhibit A, but has now waived objection to
the location, as shown on Exhibit B.

Due to the waiver, Manzano requests that the above case be
dismissed, and that the matter be processed administratively. By
this letter, Manzano hereby requests that Amended Administrative
Order NSL-4568 be amended a second time to approve an unorthodox
location in the Wolfcamp formation.

The well has already been drilled, and Manzano is recompleting the
well in an uphole zone. However, if additional information is
required to process this request, please contact me. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Bruce". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

James Bruce

Attorney for Manzano Oil Corporation