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El Paso Natural Gas Company Vaci 2482

El Paso, Texas

January 3, 1962

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Gentlemen:

Due to extremely cold weather which caused impassable roads and the freezing of wellhead and metering equipment, and other factors beyond the control of El Paso Natural Gas Company and other operators, it was impossible to obtain deliverability tests on certain wells in the San Juan Basin by December 15, 1961. A list of wells tied into El Paso's system for which deliverability tests were not completed by December 15, 1961 is attached.

El Paso requests that the Commission set a Hearing at the earliest possible date in order that El Paso and other operators, for good cause shown, may be granted exceptions to Sub-Section II of Order R-333-E permitting:

- (1) the extension of the terminal date for the 1961 deliverability test period from December 15, 1961 to March 1, 1962, and
- (2) the continued calculation and assignment of allowables to wells granted exception based on currently effective deliverability tests with retroactive adjustment of allowables to February 1, 1962 being made upon the timely filing of the new deliverability test.

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Ben R. Howell Vice President

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