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New Mexico Oil & Gas Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

## Gentlemen:

We hereby ask for a hearing to consider our request for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Lea County, New Mexico.

We seek an exception to the above order which prohibits the disposal of water on the surface of the ground in Lea, Eddy, Chaves and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico, after January 1, 1969.

The subject lease is the Joseph I. O'Neill, Jr. Federal "O" located in the SE of the SE of Section 14, T25S, R32E, Lea County, New Mexico. It is assigned to the East Paduca Delaware Pool. Present production is from the Olds section of the Delaware sand series and amounts to approximately 19 barrels of oil and 14 barrels of water per day. At present, we have an unlined surface pit located at the tank battery, which is near the well, and it is in this pit that we would like to continue disposing of produced saltwater.

We are making this request in view of the fact that the lease is quite marginal and a long trucking distance from transportation, and, in addition, is in an area which apparently has no shallow fresh water sands. Please advise.

Very truly yours,

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