# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 10531

APPLICATION OF SOUTHLAND ROYALTY COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION AND DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

AND

#### COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER R-8054

W. THOMAS KELLAHIN, attorney in fact and authorized representative of SOUTHLAND ROYALTY COMPANY, states that the notice provisions of Division Rule 1207 (Order R-8054) have been complied with, that Applicant has caused to be conducted a good faith diligent effort to find the correct addresses of all interested parties entitled to receive notice, that on JULY 30, 1992, I caused to be mailed by certified mail return-receipt requested notice of this hearing and a copy of the application for the above referenced case along with the cover letter, at least twenty days prior to the hearing set for AUGUST 20, 1992 to the parties shown in the application as evidenced by the attached copies of return receipt cards or receipts, and that pursuant to Division Rule 1207, notice has been given at the correct addresses provided by such rule.

W. Thomas Kellahin

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this AUGUST, 1992.

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September 2, 1992

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RE: ED

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NMOCD Case 10531 Re:

Application of Southland Royalty Company for approval of an unorthodox location and downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Cooter:

At the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division hearing of the referenced case on August 20, 1992, you appeared for McKenzie Methane Corporation seeking a stipulation from Southland Royalty Company that if it located a Basin Fruitland Coal Gas well in the NW/4 of Section 12 then it would never infill drill the SW/4 of that Section.

I understand that while McKenzie Methane Corporation has no objection to the Southland Royalty's Hanks 501 well being located in the NW/4 of Section 12 it does object to having Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool wells producing simultaneously in both the NW/4 and in the SW/4 of this section.

Although Southland Royalty Company has no plans for infill drilling to 160 acre spacing units in this section, it is unable to predict its future needs. addition, I have advised Southland Royalty that the protection McKenzie Methane seeks by this stipulation is unnecessary under the current Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool Rules which preclude infill drilling without first obtaining a Division Order issued after notice to your client and an evidentiary hearing at which McKenzie Methane may participate.

Therefore, I wish to inform you that my client is unable to stipulate as you desire. However, I also think Paul A. Cooter, Esq. September 2, 1992 Page 2

it is an unnecessary stipulation because McKenzie Methane is asking for protection against a request that Southland Royalty Company has not yet made and in fact may never make. Accordingly, by copy of this letter to Mr. Catanach of the Division I am advising him that we are unable to stipulate and requesting that he enter the order as requested.

very (crary yours

W. Thomas Kellahin

WTK/jcl

xc: Alan Alexander - Southland Royalty - Farmington
David Catanach - OCD - Santa Fe
Robert G. Stovall, Esq. - OCD - Santa Fe

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September 9, 1992

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RE: CASE NO. 10531

ORDER NO. R-9717

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the each of the above-referenced Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

House

Florene Davidson

OC Staff Specialist

FD/sl

cc:

BLM - Farmington

Paul Cooter

OCD Aztec Office

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