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EXHIBIT NO.



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BTA Oil Producers
Attn.: Dorothy Houghton
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RE: Relocation of the Crystal, 9105 JV-P Fed. #1
Sec. 4, T24S, R26E; NMPM, Eddy County

In response to your request to provide an explanation of why the proposed location, of above mentioned well, was moved from the 1650' FSL, 1650' FEL footage to the 1150' FSL and 1650' FEL (500 feet south).

The location at 1650' FSL was in the middle of a drainage feeding a large playa to the east. The Bureau of Land Management suggested that the location be moved 300 feet south to avoid the drainage. The extra distance (200 feet) to the south was suggested by the company for geological reasons.

I hope this information is sufficient for what you need to complete your application to drill the Crystal #1.

Sincerely,

Don Ashby
for Richard L. Manus
Area Manager

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