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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Chair Oil Conservation Commission 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: REQUEST FOR HEARING DENOVO Order No. R-11700 NMOCD Case 12731 Application of TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc. for an order staying David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc. from commencing operations, Lea County, New Mexico.

> NMOCD Case 12744 Application of TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc. appealing the Hobbs District Supervisor's decision denying approval of two applications for permit to drill filed by TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc., Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc., please find enclosed our request for a Hearing DeNovo of the referenced cases before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

truly yours **Thomas Kellahin**

cc: Earnest Carroll, Esq. Attorney for Arrington cc: TMBR/Sharp Rick Montgomery, Esq. ÚL GOUETRA D

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

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

CASE NO. 12731

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TMBR/SHARP DRILLING, INC. LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

<u>TMBR/SHARP DRILLING, INC.'S</u> <u>REQUEST FOR A DE NOVO HEARING</u> <u>BEFORE THE</u>

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Comes now TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc.. a party of record before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in Cases 12731 and 12744 and adversely affected by Division Order R-11700 entered December 13, 2001, by its attorneys Kellahin & Kellahin and pursuant to NMSA (1978) Section 70-2-13, hereby requests that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission hold a HEARING DENOVO in these matters.

Respectfully Submitted

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