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Mr. Tim Collier Read and Stevens, Inc. PO Box 1518 Roswell, NM 88202-1518

RE: Form C-144 Drilling Pit Permit Operator: Read and Stevens, Inc. OGRID: 18917 Well name: Hot Dog 23 Federal 4 Location: Unit M, Section 23, Township 16 South, Range 27 East, NMPM Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Collier,

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, District 2 Office (OCD), is in receipt of a Form C-144 drilling pit permit application (permit) for the above referenced well. The permit was formulated and submitted to OCD by Read and Stevens' contractor, R.T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. This permit was received in the District 2 Office on March 9, 2012. After conversations and correspondence between Mr. Hicks and OCD, Mr. Hicks has indicated that Read and Stevens is withdrawing the March 9, 2012 permit submittal. In the event Read and Stevens does not want to withdraw this permit submittal, please advise the District 2 Office within ten (10) days of receipt of this correspondence, otherwise, OCD will consider the permit application withdrawn.

Please be advised that permit applications and permit modification requests will be processed in the order in which they are received. The submission of multiple permits/modifications for the same well may result in permit review delays and scheduling issues.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the District 2 Environmental Specialist, Mike Bratcher at 575-748-1283 X108 or via email at mike.bratcher@state.nm.us

Sincerely,

Randy Dade OCD District 2 Supervisor 575-748-1283 randy.dade@state.nm.us

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