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LC-065457
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Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
PO Box 140907
Irving, TX 75014-0907



Gentlemen:

Your Applications for Permit to Drill (APDs), for the following wells have expired because drilling has not commenced within one year of the approval date as stated in the General Requirements for Oil and Gas Operations on Federal Leases.

NM-0402170 Bradley 14 Fed Com 2 1330'/S & 1090'/W Sec. 14, T.24S., R.26E.
APD approved on 06/30/04, last approved APD extension expired on 06/30/06. 30-015-33492

LC-065347 Exxon Fed Com 4 325/S & 2485'/W Sec. 17, T.24S., R.26E.
APD approved on 06/16/04, last approved APD extension expired on 06/16/06. 30-015-33544

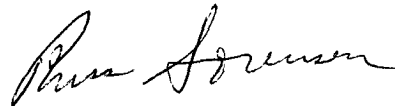
LC-065457 White City Penn 28 Gas Com Unit 3 No. 3
660'/N & 1900'/E Sec. 28, T.24S., R.26E.
APD approved on 07/30/04, last approved APD extension expired on 07/30/06. 30-015-33541

If drilling operations have commenced on the referenced wells, please contact this office at (505) 234-5972 and send all necessary reports (spud, casing/cementing, etc., 1 original and 5 copies for each well) to us, so we may correct our records.

If the wells have not been spudded, but site construction activities have occurred, please contact this office at the above telephone number for surface reclamation instructions.

If you wish to drill these wells at a later date, please submit a complete application (1 original and 5 copies for each well) to this office. Since the original APDs have expired, the resubmitted APDs will be subject to all the processing requirements including the 30-day posting requirement. Please note on the resubmitted APDs that they were previously approved and we will review the expired files for information which will help expedite the processing. If you have any questions please contact Betty Hill at (505) 234-5937.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Russ Sorensen".

Russell E. Sorensen
Assistant Field Manager
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