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Mr. Gerry Guye Inspector Oil Conservation Division 1301 West Grand Artesia, NM 88210

Dear Mr. Guye,

In reference to our phone conversation today, I am requesting an extension of the Notice of Violation letters (inactive wells) received on April 5, 2004 concerning the Federal CL #1, #2, and #4 wells until February 1, 2005. We are in the process of re-entering the Federal CL #5, and would like to test and evaluate the results of this well before we begin plugging any wells in this area.

We also would like to request an extension of the Sara AHA #9 Notice of Violation letter (inactive well) received on September 20, 2004 until February 1, 2005. As per your request I've attached a copy of the "Exhibit A- revised non-compliant well list" dated 7/23/2004 we received from Mr. Tim Gum.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and if you need any additional information please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Michelle Taylor

Regulatory Compliance Manager

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cc: Pinson McWhorter

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