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Mewbourne Oil Company P. O. Box 5270 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241

RE: Patriot "30" Federal Com # 1 pit closure procedure.

30-015-33471

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Artesia District of the Oil Conservation Division has taken another look at the area around this well. New water information was presented to, and acquired by the OCD. After review, the area where the Patriot "30" Federal Com # 1 resides is considered to be of a sensitive nature.

The approval of 16 March, 2005 to "deep bury" the Patriot "30" Federal Com # 1 and the Justice Federal Com # 1 on or about the location located at K-30-20-29 is hereby withdrawn. Please submit a closure plan that is appropriate for use in a sensitive area.

If you have any other information relevant to this decision, would like to discuss the decision, or just have questions, please contact me.

Van Barton Field Rep. II

cc: Winston Ballard

cc: Tim Gum cc: well files