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May 7, 2018

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
ATT: James S. Rutley
620 E Greene Street
Carlsbad, NM 88220

STATE LAND OFFICE
ATT: Stephen Wust
PO BOX 1148
Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL IN POTASH AREA

OPERATOR: ASCENT ENERGY, LLC.

LEASE NAME: TOQUE STATE # 702H

PROPOSED LOCATION: U/L K Sec 6 T21S R33E 2546 FSL 1225 FWL

PROPOSED DEPTH: 19169' MD

Gentleman:

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Thank you for your assistance. Please Return as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Handwritten signature of Paul Kautz in black ink.

Paul Kautz

Hobbs District Geologist, District I

RESPONSE:

The above referenced location is in LMR (2018 year) -----Yes _____ No

The above referenced location is within the Buffer Zone -----Yes _____ No

Signed _____

Printed Signature JAMES S RUTLEY

Representing US DOI BLM NM CED SOLIAS RUTLEY

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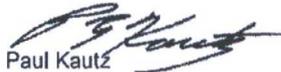
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Signed  _____

Printed Signature Aubrey Durr

Representing NMSL _____



May 3, 2018

Oil Conservation Division
1625 N. French Drive
Hobbs, NM 88240
Attn: Paul Kautz
Hobbs District Geologist

RE: T21S-33E Sections 6 & 7
Lea County, New Mexico

1. Toque State Com 301H
2. Toque State Com 502H
3. Toque State Com 601H
4. Toque State Com 401H
5. Toque State Com 701H
6. Toque State Com 201H
7. Toque State Com 302H
8. Toque State Com 503H
9. Toque State Com 702H
10. Toque State Com 303H
11. Toque State Com 602H
12. Toque State Com 202H
13. Toque State Com 203H
14. Toque State Com 402H
15. Toque State Com 703H
16. Toque State Com 704H
17. Toque State Com 304H

Dear Mr. Kautz:

Ascent Energy, LLC ("Ascent") has submitted the application for permit to drill for the seventeen above referenced Toque State Com wells (the "Wells") to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on May 3, 2018. Since the Well is located within the Designated Potash Area, Ascent has researched the Bureau of Land Management and New Mexico State Land Office records and has not located any active potash lease(s) within 1 mile of the Well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (720) 710-8923.

Kindest Regards,

Lee Zink
Land Manager