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OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership P.O. Box 50250 Midland, TX 79710-0250 Attn: Mr. Dave Stewart or To Whom It May Concern:

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Dear Mr. Stewart or To Whom It May Concern:

RE: OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership: Application to drill (APD) for the Shelby 12 Federal # 8 Located in Unit L, of Section 12, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico NMPM.

In reference to the above noted APD, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) will require (in part) that drilling mud samples from the flow line be sampled every 100' in order to determine chloride levels during the drilling of the Capitan Reef section of the well bore. Results are to be submitted to our office before drilling to total depth of the well bore.

Please call me if you have any questions about this matter.

Respectfully yours,

Bryan G. Arrant NMOCD's District II Geologist Artesia, New Mexico 505-748-1283 ext. 103

CC: well file