



March 5, 2002

United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Roswell District Office 2909 West Second Street Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Re: Application for Permit to Drill

Dominion Oklahoma Texas Exploration & Production, Inc.

Rio "22" Federal Com Well No. 1 Chaves County, New Mexico Federal Lease NM – 98182

Gentlemen:

Dominion Oklahoma Texas Exploration & Production, Inc. respectfully requests permission to drill our Rio "22" Federal Com Well No. 1 Well located 660' FSL and 1980' FEL of Section 22-T14S-R30E, Chaves County, New Mexico, Federal Lease NM-98182. The proposed well will be drilled to a TVD of approximately 10,900'. The location and work area have been staked approximately 20 miles North of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

In accordance with requirements stipulated in Federal Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 1 under 43 CFR 3162.1, our Application for Permission to Drill and supporting evidence is hereby submitted.

- 1. Application for Permit to Drill:
 - 1. Form 3160.3, Application for Permit to Drill
 - 2. Form C-102 Location and Acreage Dedication Plat certified by Gary L. Jones, Registered Land Surveyor No. 7977 in the State of New Mexico, dated January 29, 2002.
 - 3. The elevation of the unprepared ground is 3917' feet above sea level.
 - 4. The geologic name of the surface formation is Rustler.
 - 5. Rotary drilling equipment will be utilized to drill the well to TD 10,900' (TVD), and run casing. This equipment will then be rigged down and the well will be completed with a pulling unit.
 - 6. Proposed total depth is 10,900' TVD.

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