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Mr. R. L. Stamets, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> RE: Request for an Approval of an Unorthodox Location for Cities Service Oil and Gas Corporation's Elkan A Well No. 2, Located 2310'FNL & 990'FWL of Section 25-T13S-R34E, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stamets:

Cities Service Oil and Gas Corporation respectfully requests an approval for an unorthodox location for the above captioned well. This subject drilling location is not an orthodox location as per Case No. 8834, Order No. R-8222, dated May 13, 1986, for the Alston Ranch Upper Pennsylvanian Pool which specifies that a proposed location must be within 150' of the center of a quarter quarter section and this proposed location does not meet with these specified footage requirements. The reasons for our request for the approval of this unorthodox location are based on geologic considerations which are explained in the attachments. Also, please be advised that all of the offset operators and mineral interest owners have been notified of this requested filing by certified mail.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

CITIES SERVICE OIL AND GAS CORPORATION

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attachments

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division District 1 Office P.O. Box 1980

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