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Attention: David M. Tilley

Re: Exception to requirements of
Division Order No. R-9431

Dear Mr. Tilley:

Reference is made to your request dated July 1, 1991, for an exception to the re-plugging requirement contained within Division Order No. R-9431. It is our understanding that an attempt has been made to re-enter and re-plug the Texaco State "P" Well No. 5 located in Section 32, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and that such attempt has been unsuccessful. It is further our understanding that you now seek authority to plug the well from a depth of approximately 3158 feet. Your proposal is hereby granted subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The well shall be plugged from a depth of 3158 and equipped at the surface with monitoring devices in accordance with the requirements set forth by the supervisor of the Hobbs district office.
- 2) The Lovington San Andres Unit Well No. 19, previously permitted as an injection well, shall be utilized as producing well in order to create a pressure drawdown.
- 3) Any future detection of fluid migration within the State "P" Well No. 5 shall be cause to cease injection within one half mile of the well until the problem is resolved.