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PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT SOUTHWEST, ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION December 23, 1985

New Mexico FB State #1 Unit Letter N, Section 4. T16S, R37E Lea County, New Mexico Undesignated Lovington Northeast (Pennsylvanian) Field

Mr. Richard L. Stamets Director, Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

The above referenced well spud on November 12, 1985 at the following surface location:

660' FSL and 1980' FWL of Section 4, T16S, R37E, Lea County, New Mexico

The total depth of 11,900' was reached but the proposed formation was missed. Exxon Corporation has elected, after receiving verbal approval from your office, to plugback to 9700' and to deviate in a southeasterly direction to an estimated bottomhole location of:

> 360' FSL and 2280' FWL of Section 4, T16S, R37E, Lea County, New Mexico

We are forwarding Form C-103 with plat to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission District Office for approval.

The following offset operators have been notified by certified mail that our proposed bottomhole location is an unorthodox location. A copy of this letter, Form C-103, plat and Request for Waiver have been mailed to:

F. Luthy, P. O. Box 1344, Albuquerque, NM 87103 Amerada Hess Corporation, P. O. Box 2040, Tulsa, OK 74102 W. A. Moncrief, Metro Building, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701

We respectfully request that the offset operators sign and return the waivers in the envelopes provided, if there is no objection to our proposed bottomhole location.

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