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Mr. Chris Williams New Mexico Oil Conservation Division District Office 1000 Broadway Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Re: Chesapeake's Sumruld 1-18 - Horizontal Drilling Application W/2 SE/4 and E/2 SW/4 Section 18-T16S-R36E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Williams:

By letter dated August 26, 1997, Chesapeake made application for horizontal drilling of the Sumruld 1-18 which your office approved. After reviewing our prospect further, we have revised our horizontal bore-hole pathway to that illustrated on newly prepared Land and Structure Plats enclosed with support materials. Please replace the plats and supporting materials previously received with our application with the ones enclosed herewith. Note that Chesapeake's surface and bottom-hole locations are the same and the well-bore and Terminus will still lie within the same Producing Area previously submitted.

We do not anticipate the need for any further approval but would appreciate your confirmation of having received this letter and attachments to update your files. Please feel free to call should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter. Thank you for your continued assistance.

Most sincerely,

Mike Hazlip

LAND DEPARTMENT

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