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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. D. S. Nutter, Chief Engineer

> Re: Request for Approval of Replacement Well in Non-Standard Gas Proration Unit, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Amerada Hess Corporation requests permission to drill the State 'J' No. 4 at a location 1980' FSL and 2081' FWL of Section 2-20S-36E, Lea County, New Mexico for completion in the Eumont Gas Pool as a replacement well for the State 'J' No. 3 Unit Well for the communitized 440-acre non-standard gas proration unit consisting of the following acreage:

Township 20 South, Range 36 East, NM PM S/2, SW/4 NW/4 and E/2 NW/4 of Section 2

This unit is operated under authority contained in Administrative Order NSP-269, dated June 3, 1956.

The State 'J' No. 3, located 1980 feet from the south and west lines of Section 2, is dually completed in the Eumont Gas Pool Zone and the Monument Grayburg Oil Zone under provisions of Order No. DC-294, dated April 1, 1956. We are experiencing mechanical difficulties pumping the Grayburg oil from the completion interval below the packer separating the two completion intervals and propose to abandon the upper Eumont Gas Pool Zone and produce the well from the Grayburg Zone single completion.

We believe the approval of this request will result in an increased production potential from both intervals.

Very truly yours,

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION

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Conservation Supervisor