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Mr. Frank Condon Noranda Exploration 4406 S. Florida Ave. Suite 17, Executive Plaza Lakeland, Florida 33803

Dear Mr. Condon:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of yesterday in which I advised that Belco is proposing to drill a well in search of oil and/or gas at a location in the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 14, T20S, R32E, Lea County, New Mexico.

On March 20, 1980, Noranda Exploration in Denver, Colorado, as well as all other holders of potash leases in the surrounding area, were notified of our intention. We have at this time received from all such owners a return receipt of the March 20th letter and no protest to our well site location. We have also received from Noranda in the Denver office a signed copy of the letter, indicating that you have no objection to our location.

In order prompt action on our drilling permit can be taken, Mr. John Burleson of the Mining Division of the U.S.G.S., Hobbs, New Mexico 88240, Phone No. (505)885-8881 desires to hear from you direct. Please advise promptly on this application.

Yours very truly,

BELCO PETROLEUM CORPORATION ames Patrick Miller

JPM:ry cc:John Burleson Dox 1157 Hobbs, NM 88240

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