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Mr. Jerry Sexton New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 1980 Hobbs, NM 88240

Dear Mr. Sexton:

In our request to drill the Warren McKee Brine Well No. 2, Conoco had stated that the original Brine Well No. 1 would be plugged and abandoned once Well No. 2 was operational. It is our desire at this point to temporarily abandon Well No. 1 upon NMOCD approval. Intent is not to operate both wells simultaneously, but to utilize Well No. 1 on an emergency basis only. Without this option, the Warren McKee Waterflood will have to be shut-in if workover to the Well No. 2 is needed. Conoco produces approximately 800 BOPD from the Warren McKee Waterflood and this production level is highly dependent on consistent injection. If approved, the Warren McKee Brine Well No. 1 will be temporarily abandoned as per the attached wellbore diagram.

Please forward any questions concerning this matter to Mr. Don Eubank at 397-5867.

Sincerely, Hugh Ingram

Conservation Coordinator

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