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Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners L.P. 550 W. Texas, Suite 1330 Midland, Texas 79701

Gentlemen:

Your Application for Permit to Drill (APD), along with your extension ending February 10, 1996 for the White Swan 9 Federal Well No. 5 located 2130 feet FNL and 1980 feet FEL, Section 9, T. 22 S., R. 32 E., Lea County, New Mexico, Lease No. NM-77057, has expired because drilling has not commenced within one year of the approval date as stated in the General Requirements for Oil and Gas Operations on Federal Leases.

If drilling operations have commenced on the referenced well, please contact this office at (505) 887-6544 and send all necessary reports (spud, casing/cementing, etc., 1 original and 5 copies) so we may correct our records.

If the well has not been spudded, but site construction activities have occurred, please contact this office at the above telephone number for surface reclamation instructions.

If you wish to drill this well at a later date, please submit a complete application (I original and 5 copies). Since the original APD has expired, the resubmitted APD will be subject to all the processing requirements including the 30-day posting requirement. Please note on the resubmitted APD that it was previously approved and we will review the expired file for information which will help expedite the processing.

Sincerely,

Orig. Signed by Richard L. Manus

Richard L. Manus Area Manager

cc: BLM-Roswell District Office I & E-(Carlsbad/Hobbs)

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