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Mr. Jerry Sexton  
State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural  
Resources Department  
Oil Conservation Division  
P.O. Box 1980  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88241-1980

Dear Mr. Sexton:

SUBJECT: NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT  
WELL NOs. 305-R & 405-B  
SEC. 3 & 10, T21S, R37E  
NORTH EUNICE BLINEBRY-TUBB-DRINKARD  
O&G POOL

Your authority is herein requested to allow SWEPI as operator of the Northeast Drinkard Unit to test designated gas wells 305 & 405 through the unit facilities for up to 30 days. This request is made because of problems in obtaining gas pipeline hookups for these wells that are expected to produce at marginal (30-50 MCFPD) rates.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. H. Smitherman".

J. H. Smitherman  
Regulatory Supervisor  
Western Division

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P. S. Should you have any questions, please call Marcus Winder at (713) 870-3797.