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*Handwritten initials and signature*

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.  
Attention: J. H. Saenz  
P. O. Box 1150  
Midland, Texas 79702

*RE: Administrative application dated December 23, 1997 to drill the proposed H. T. Mattern (NCT-A) Well No. 6 at an unorthodox Eumont gas well location within the existing 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the S/2 of Section 24, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Saenz:

On the attached land plat, please indicate the closest location to your proposed drill site that is considered to be "standard" for the subject GPU. Further, please explain why the proposed H. T. Mattern (NCT-A) Well No. 6 can not be drilled at a "standard location" within the subject GPU. Provide supporting data.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Handwritten signature of Michael E. Stogner*

Michael E. Stogner  
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs  
William F. Carr - Santa Fe