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Mr. Jerry Sexton State of New Mexico Energy, Mineral, & Natural Resources Department Oil Conservation Division Hobbs District Office P.O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241-1980

Re: Request for Temporary Permission to Produce J.L. Muncy Well Nos. 5 and 6 Section 24, T-22-S, R-37-E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Sexton:

Enclosed please find a copy of two applications to downhole commingle the J.L. Muncy Well Nos. 5 and 6. These applications have been submitted to the OCD in Santa Fe for approval. Marathon requests temporary permission to produce these wells in a downhole commingled status pending final approval by the Santa Fe office. Both wells are currently shut-in due to downhole failure.

Marathon respectfully requests this approval to modify the downhole production assemblies in order to return the wells to production and eliminate the need to again move onto the wells, shut-in production and incur additional expense.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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