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Mr. Paul F. Kautz State of New Mexico Energy & Minerals Department Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Dear Paul:

As a followup to our phone conversation, I would like to request that all electric logs and test information on the recently drilled Amerada Hess North Bell Lake Federal No. 2 be kept confidential for the maximum time allowed. Specifically, the well in question is:

AHC North Bell Lake Federal No. 2
Sec. 5, T23S-R34E
Lea County, New Mexico
API No. 30-02532672

Thank you very much for your help.

Sincerely,

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