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Mr. David Neslin
Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

**RE: Dr. Proctor 12-30 Tr
Request for Geological Exception
Las Animas County, CO**

Dear Mr. Neslin:

Pioneer Natural Resources is requesting a geological exception for the subject well. PNR permitted the Dr. Proctor 12-30 in the Vermejo coals plus a stray coal in the lower Raton. We would like to twin that well, completing it in the Raton coals. Equivalent Raton coals will not be produced in both twinned wells.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (303) 675-2611 at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,
Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.



Georgina Kovacic
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