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November 20, 2009

TIM HELLMAN  
LOTUS OPERATING CO LLC  
100 S MAIN STE 420  
WICHITA KS 67202

RE: LEASE: CURTIS 1  
LEGAL: 1660'FSL-1070'FWL 31-28S-15W  
COUNTY: PRATT  
API NO: 15151222850000

Dear Mr. Hellman:

This letter is to inform you that you have been granted an extension of time in which to close the drilling pits associated with the drilling of the Curtis 1 well.

The original 365 days for closure expired February 8, 2009. This extension will expire May 16 2010. We urge you to make every effort to close these pits within this time frame. In the event there is water standing in these pits, please dewater and dispose of fluids in an authorized disposal facility to expedite closure. Extension of this time frame automatically extends the time period for filing the Closure of Surface Pit form.

*Failure to close the pit or request an additional extension prior to the expiration date may result in a fine in accordance with K.A.R. 82-3-602(a). An additional extension will only be granted for good cause and after K.C.C. field staff has made an inspection of the site. Should field staff discover that said pit has been closed before the date of extension request, an administrative penalty may be assessed to you through K.C.C. invoice.*

If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact Jonelle Rains at (316) 337-6226.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Louis".

Doug Louis  
Director

cc: Jonelle Rains  
District # 1

**Sammy Flaharty**

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**From:** Steve Durrant  
**Sent:** Monday, November 16, 2009 8:07 AM  
**To:** Sammy Flaharty  
**Subject:** RE: Additional pit extension

approve for 6 months

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sammy Flaharty  
**Sent:** Friday, November 13, 2009 1:35 PM  
**To:** Steve Durrant  
**Subject:** Additional pit extension

Steve, I received a request from Lotus Operating Co. LLC. for an additional extension for pits in Pratt County. They state the pits are under an irrigation system and have not dried out. They state they would like an extension till December 31. The well is as follows:

Curtis 1  
1660'FSL-1070'FWL 31-28S-15W  
Pratt County  
151512228500000  
spud 2/8/08 pit extension expired 11/9/09

Please let me know what you recommend. Thanks for you help Steve.  
Sammy

LOTUS OPERATING CO., LLC

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November 10, 2009

Ms. Sammy Flaharty  
Kansas Corporation Commission  
130 S. Market, Rm 2078  
Wichita, Kansas 67202

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RE: #1 Curtis  
API # 15-151-22285  
31-28s-15w  
Pratt Co, KS

Dear KCC,

We have not been able to close the pits this summer, due to the location being under an irrigation system. There for I would like until Dec 31<sup>st</sup> to finish closing the reserve pit. We should be able to get it done as soon as the corn is cut.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Yours truly,



Tim Hellman  
Lotus Operating Company, L.L.C.

