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January 23, 2009

WELDA BATES ARES ENERGY LTC 303 W WALL STE 2300 MIDLAND TX 79701

RE: LEASE: BEHNKE 3-29

LEGAL: 2310'FNL-1650'FEL 29-18S-09W

COUNTY: RICE

API NO: 15159225080000

Dear Ms. Bates:

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 Behnke 3-29 well.

The original 365 days for closure expired October 31, 2007. This extension will expire March 21, 2009. 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,

Doug Louis
Director

cc: Jonelle Rains District # 2

Pits needing inspection for additional pit extensions. AAS Oil Co, Inc. / 22619 Grainland Farms/1-20 330'FSL-1980'FEL 20-34S-03E Cowley County 15035242420000 Spud 5/12/06 pit extension expired 3/5/08 Lord - Vigil Cetthier Samuel Gary Jr. & Associates Inc. Schroeder-Maes Huff 4-34 330'FSL-670'FEL 34-17S-10W Ellsworth county 15053211850000 Spud 9/12/06 pit extension expired 5/11/08 American Energies Corp. Graber Trust 1-10 1320'FSL-660'FWL 10-27S-07W Kingman county 15095220610000 open-tolother 1/21/09 Spud 11/6/06 pit extension expired 5/19/08 Ares Energy LTD. Behnke 3-29 2310' FNL-1650'FEL 29-18S-09W Rice County 15159225080000 Spud 10/31/06 pit extension expired 5/1/08 Tiger Oil & Gas 990'FNL-1650'FWL 19-23S-07W Reno County 15155215090000 Spud 8/25/06 pit extension expired 1-30-08 Samuel Gary Jr. & Associates Inc. Novonty Et Al 1-31 2550'FNL-100'FEL 31-18S-10W Rice County 15159225330000 Spud 3/14/07 pit extension expired 6/14/08 Samuel Gary Jr. & Associates Inc. Mooney Et Al 1-5 370'FSL-870'FWL 05-19S-10W Rice County 15159224930000 Spud 8/8/06 pit extension expired 5/11/08 Samueal Gary Jr. & Associates Inc. Weihe Trust 1-23 2150'FNL-1125'FEL 23-18S-10W Rice County 15159224870000 Spud 8/2/06 pit extension expired 5/11/08



July 9, 2008

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Kansas Corporation Commission Attention: Sammy Flaharty 130 South Market, Room – 2078 Wichita, Kansas 67202

Re:

Closure of Drilling Pit

Behnke Lease Well No. 3-29

SESWNE 29-18S-9W Rice County, Kansas API No. 15159225080000

Dear Ms. Flaharty:

Pursuant to letter dated July 3, 2008 and our telephone conversation pertaining to the captioned well, we hereby request an extension of six (6) months for pit closure due to weather related issues.

Thank you for your understanding of our situation in this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at ARES Energy, Ltd. at the telephone number shown on the letterhead.

Very truly yours,

ARES ENERGY, LTD.

Welda J. Bates Land Administrator

Enclosures

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