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September 22, 2008

STEVE STRIBLING
GRAND MESA OPERATING COMPANY
1700 N WATERFRONT PARKWAY BLDG 600
WICHITA KS 67206-5514

RE: LEASE: SCHWEIZER 1-35

LEGAL: 2300'FNL-900'FWL 35-22S-10W

COUNTY: RENO

API NO: 15155215170000

Dear Mr. Stribling:

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 Schweizer 1-35 well.

The original 365 days for closure expired November 28, 2007. This extension will expire October 18, 2008. 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(c). 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

(316) 265-3000 FAX: (316) 265-3455

1700 N. WATERFRONT PARKWAY BLOG. 600 WICHITA, KANSAS 67206-5514

September 18, 2008

Kansas Corporation Commission Attn: Ms. Jonelle Rains 130 S. Market Rm #2078 Wichita, KS 67202

RE:

Schweizer #1-35 -- 2300' FNL & 900' FWL

Section 35-22S-10W, Reno County, Kansas

API #15-155-21517-00-00

## Dear Jonelle:

Grand Mesa Operating Company is hereby requesting an extension of thirty (30) days from September 18, 2008, to close our drilling pit on the above referenced well. Grand Mesa Operating Company has been working with Jeff Klock the District Supervisor at District #2 on getting this pit closed as soon as possible. With the weather that we have been having we are having a tough time keeping water out of the pit. We will get this pit closed just as quickly as we can. We appreciate your attention to this matter and will be waiting to hear from you regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

GRAND MESA OPERATING COMPANY

Steve Stribling Geologist

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#### Jonelle Rains

From:

Jeff Klock

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 2:54 PM

To:

Jonelle Rains

Subject: Pit

Jonelle.

FYI

I have been working with Steve Stribling over at Grand Mesa on getting their Schweizer #1-35 reserve pit closed. (Sec. 35-22-10W, Reno Co. API 15-155-21517-0000)This pit has been open for over two years now, and it never dries up due to underflow coming into the pit. Steve and I have talked about several options on getting it closed, and they are working with me. Phyllis at Grand Mesa was worried that either you or I would fine them for not getting it closed since I told them we would not give them a pit extension. Phyllis said she had spoken with you about turning it over to the landowner as a pond for cattle operations and you had indicated that the landowner would need to provide that request in writing. I can tell you that the landowner wants it closed since he has several ponds, so we will probably be back working on a plan to get it closed. We have tested the water several times and it is fresh. Actually BJ says the marsh grass and cattails are abundant as well as lots of frogs.

I told Phyllis that as long as they are working with us on getting this closed we are not going to recommend a fine.

If said give 30 day got,

Jeff



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#### MEMORANDUM

To: District 2

From: Sammy K. Flaharty

**Date:** August 14, 2008

Re: Pit Extensions

The following operators have requested additional extensions of time in which to fill the pits associated with the given lease. Please inspect the lease and let me know what your recommendations are. Your time and work are appreciated.

Grand Mesa Operating Co. Schweizer 1-35 2300'FNL-900'FWL 35-22S-10W Reno County 15155215170000 Spud 11/28/06 pit extension expires 8/15/08



August 13, 2008

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Wichita, KS 67202

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## Dear Jonelle:

Grand Mesa Operating Company is hereby requesting an extension of ninety (60) days from August 15, 2008, to close our drilling pit on the above referenced well. Grand Mesa Operating Company had a company representative check the location on August 10, 2008, he stated that the water level was still considerably high. I have contacted District #2 and spoke to Jeff Klock, the District Supervisor regarding this pit. He stated that he is sending a field man out to check the pit at the location and see if there are any other ideas that he can give Grand Mesa Operating Company to help get this pit closed.

The reason that we are requesting another extension on this pit is that the underflow keeps coming into the pit and keeping it full of water, which is keeping the pit too wet to close. We appreciate your attention to this matter and will be waiting to hear from you regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

GRAND MESA OPERATING COMPANY

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Ronald N. Sinclair

President

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### Sammy Flaharty

From: Jeff Klock

Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2008 2:24 PM

**To:** Sammy Flaharty **Subject:** RE: Call me

#### Sammy,

I left you a phone message, but the short story is that Grand Mesa is going to close the pit. The landowner wants it closed as well as Grand Mesa and us. I informed Steve Stribling at Grand Mesa that they would have to request a pit extension and that I would grant a 30 day extension. Grand Mesa's field staff says things have greatly improved this week with no rain, and they hope to be working on this in the next week. Steve Stribling said he would contact me when they started closing the pit. Call if you have any questions, and you should be receiving their request for the extension by Friday.

Jeff

----Original Message-----From: Sammy Flaharty

Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2008 9:54 AM

To: Jeff Klock Subject: Call me

Jeff, I need for you to call me about Grand Mesa and the Schweizer 1-35. I talked to Doug this morning about that situation so I need to talk with you. I shall be eagerly awaiting your jingle. Have a good one.