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December 3, 2008

Mr. Paul Black, President  
Attention: Victor Lopez,  
President, BNP Construction Co.  
BNP Petroleum Corporation  
2800 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 5300  
Houston, TX 77056

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Re: Workover of ST #991 Well

Dear Mr. Black:

This letter is in response to Victor Lopez's letter dated December 1, 2008, sent on your behalf to notify the National Park Service (NPS) of BNP's intent to move the workover rig late this week from the ST 1008 #1 well to the ST 991 #1 well to complete another zone. The workover is scheduled to begin as early as Monday, December 8, and last approximately two weeks. The workover is consistent with the approved plan of operations, and you may proceed with the work. Please provide daily electronic copies of the morning reports to Wade Stablein of my staff and Pat O'Dell, NPS petroleum engineer, at the following email addresses:

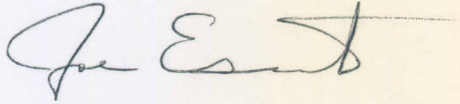
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Please be aware, however, that the NPS is preparing a noncompliance letter regarding BNP's failure to comply with two conditions of the ST #991 plan of operations and that if no corrective actions are taken within ten (10) days of receipt of the non-compliance letter, the NPS will have the authority to suspend any operations at the ST #991 site, including workover operations.

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If you have any questions, please contact Wade Stablein of my staff at 361-949-8173, extension 237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Joe Escoto". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Joe Escoto  
Superintendent

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