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December 23, 2004

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Regulatory Branch

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of Regulatory Action No. 16410

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Belaire Environmental, Inc.
Attn: Mr. Charles E. Belaire
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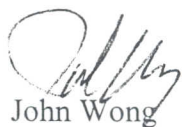
Dear Mr. Belaire:

This letter is in reference to your request for confirmation of a wetland determination performed on behalf of Novus USA, for a proposed well pad and access road/pipeline route associated with the proposed Manzano No. 1 well. The project site is situated in the Nicholas & Juan Jose Balli Survey, on the Padre Island National Seashore, approximately 2,000 feet north of the Kleberg/Kenedy County line, Texas.

In an electronic mail message, dated 7 December 2004, you indicated that Novus had been acquired by an overseas company and its drill exploration plan was being re-evaluated. Accordingly, it is recognized that the location and/or commencement date of drilling may change. As per our conversation, regulatory action D-16410 is hereby withdrawn. This withdrawal is without prejudice to the applicant's right to reapply at a later date.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact me at the letterhead address or by telephone at 361-814-5847.

Sincerely,


John Wong
Project Manager

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