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David Neslin, Director  
Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, Colorado 80203

**RE: Permit Issuance Without Notice or Consultation per Rule 303.I.(2)**  
**Well: Thermo 5-5-32**  
**Weld County, Colorado**

Dear Mr. Neslin:

Mineral Resources is currently amending an Oil and Gas Location Assessment (COGCC Document 400083422) and relocating an approved well (Thermo 5-5-32, COGCC Document 400083497) to the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 6 North, Range 65 West, Weld County, Colorado. At this time the drilling rig is scheduled to be on site in approximately 6 to 8 days.

The reason for moving Thermo 5-5-32 to the new location was to eliminate the cost of moving the drilling rig to the previously approved pad for Thermo 5-5-32. This will result in a cost savings of approximately \$65,000. Unfortunately, our drilling schedule has not aligned with the submission of the amendment to the Location Assessment and Application for Permit-to-drill. The planned spud date is September 10, 2010, and the planned approval date of the amended location assessment and permit is November 14, 2010. This would result in 64 days of delay in drilling. There would be significant economic hardship due to not being able to fulfill Mineral Resources' drilling contract with Ensign Drilling. Additionally, Mineral Resources is nearing the end of its lease term with the mineral owner.

To overcome this economic hardship, we respectfully request that you approve the requested amendment to the previously approved location and well permit per Rule 303.I.(2) prior to the planned spud date. To help facilitate this request, we have provided waivers from the landowner and the LGDs.

Sincerely,

LAMP, RYNEARSON & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Daniel Hull  
Designated Agent  
Mineral Resources, Inc.

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