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Mr. Leader-Picone,

Thank you for the clarification that your client does not have mineral interest in the unit. The Hearing Officer will determine next steps.

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Mr. Thomas:

Neither Fallon Enterprises, Inc. nor Nancy Bankhead owns mineral interests within the 2020-OGR-01-003 Unit. However, Fallon Enterprises, Inc. and Nancy Bankhead are interested parties because a ruling as to Barlow #2-14 has direct implications for future proceedings concerning Snake River Oil & Gas' development of Fallon #10-11, as to which Fallon Enterprises, Inc. owns the principal mineral interests. The identity of the opponents to Barlow #2-14 and their arguments are the same as have emerged in opposition to Fallon #10-11. Nothing in your administrative rules limits who may submit public comment in a contested case; and a large landowner in Payette County has a far greater



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Ms. Romine:

I am counsel to Fallon Enterprises, Inc. a landowner in Payette County and an interested party with respect to Docket No. CC-2020-OGR-01-003; Integration Order CC-2016-OGR-01-001 and Barlow #2-14. Please add me to the service list in this and related matters.

Please find attached a letter from my client in support of the position of Snake River Oil & Gas that the integration order in Docket No. CC-2016-OGR-01-001 (Section 14, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Payette County, Idaho) applies to the Barlow #2-14.

Thank you,

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Re: Docket No. CC-2020-OGR-01-003  
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

My name is Nancy Bankhead and I am the owner and president of Fallon Enterprises, Inc., a small California corporation that was started by my mother in 1967. Fallon Enterprises, Inc. owns approximately 900 acres in Payette County, adjacent to the Barlow property, and it is a landowner who will be directly impacted by whatever decision is reached on Docket No. CC-2020-OGR-01-003 – Integration Order CC-2016-OGR-01-001 and Barlow #2-14. I am writing to convey the support of Fallon Enterprises, Inc. for Snake River Oil & Gas regarding this issue.

The first time I drove through Payette, I asked who owned what is now our ranch, as it was such a beautiful place. When it came up for sale, I was lucky enough to be the buyer of the ranch; which I'm told makes Fallon Enterprises one of the largest landowners in this part of rural Idaho. I think it is a wonderful place. The plan had been for my mother and I to move up to the Payette ranch when we sold Fallon Enterprises' cattle ranch in Livermore, California. Unfortunately, circumstances made it that I never was able to move up there and work the ranch. I can assure you that Fallon Enterprises Inc. would do nothing to harm that ranch. We signed a gas lease and began working with Snake River Oil & Gas to add the gas wells only to help me keep the ranch. I would do nothing to spoil the condition of the land. Keeping the land for ranching is what is important to me.

I understand that the opposition to integration in the Barlow #2-14 contested case is coming from CAIA, which is the same organization that has opposed integration of the mineral interest to allow production of the Fallon #1-10 well. The CAIA ongoing opposition and obstruction is denying to Fallon Enterprises and other mineral owners the benefits of our gas leases. It is unreasonable for people who do not have any land or investment in this area to obstruct local landowners from exploiting their natural resources as they see fit.

The area would benefit greatly from the Idaho Department of Lands supporting Snake River Oil & Gas' continued operations in Payette County. Snake River Oil & Gas is attempting to provide a great economic boost to the local area in a number of ways, including their commitment to support local businesses and provide

opportunities for the local workforce. The inability of Snake River Oil & Gas to move forward with their development during this time is costing mineral owners, such as Fallon Enterprises, substantial sums. Please allow this responsible development to move forward so that Payette County can receive the many benefits it will bring.

Very truly yours,



NANCY BANKHEAD, President