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Mr. Doug Anthony
County of Santa Barbara
Planning and Development Department
Energy Division
123 E. Anapamu Street
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RE: Case Number 06RVP-00000-00001
Withdrawal of ExxonMobil from Appeal of Planning Commission
April 21, 2008 Decision on the PXP Tranquillon Ridge Project

Dear Mr. Anthony:

ExxonMobil Exploration Company, a Division of Exxon Mobil Corporation (ExxonMobil) has made the decision to withdraw from the April 29, 2008 filed joint ExxonMobil Exploration Company and Sunset Exploration Inc. appeal of the Planning Commission's April 21, 2008 approval decision regarding the above-referenced Tranquillon Ridge Project. ExxonMobil Exploration Company does not intend to testify at the upcoming August 19, 2008 Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors hearing on the Tranquillon Ridge Project. However, we understand Sunset Exploration, Inc. will continue to pursue this appeal.

This decision is driven by the fact that the Air Force has not yet agreed to proceed with the NEPA EIS evaluation of our proposed onshore-based Vahevala Project on Vandenberg Air Force Base.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call Mr. Edward S. Feragen of ExxonMobil Exploration Company, a Division of Exxon Mobil Corporation, at (281) 654-7099.

Sincerely,

