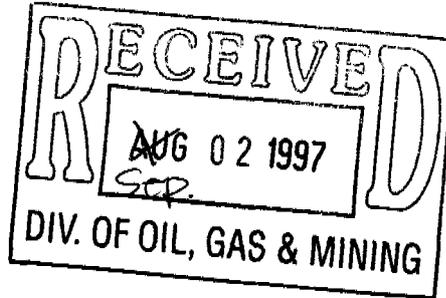


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August 28, 1997

Paul Baker
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Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
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Re: Protesting Violation No. N-97-41-4-1 and requesting an Informal Conference.

*ACT 1003/012 #5
NOV file
Copy Michi Baley*

Dear Mr. Baker:

This letter is to inform DOGM that (we) EarthCo would like to exercise our right under R645-401-700. And we are requesting an Informal Conference as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (801) 637-4155.

Sincerely,
EarthCo

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