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Regional Hearing Clerk (6RC-D)
U. S. EPA, Region 6
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
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Re: Request for Hearing
Regarding Proposed Administrative Order for
Well Nos. 9 (OS0922); 4W (OS0924); 18W (OS6320)
Docket No. SDWA-06-2017-1110

To the Regional Clerk:

This firm represents Jireh Resources, LLC ("Jireh") regarding the referenced matter. We acknowledge receipt of correspondence from the Director of the Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division dated August 4, 2017, enclosing a copy of the proposed order identified above. Please accept this letter as the formal request of Jireh for a hearing to contest the issuance of the proposed order and for an opportunity to present evidence in support of its position against the proposed order.

Regarding the setting of the hearing, Jireh representatives met with EPA personnel in Dallas earlier this month and discussed the matter at some length. At that meeting, EPA presented certain data and information in support of its position that Jireh had violated regulations contained in the notice and proposed order. Jireh made clear its intention to request a hearing in the matter. The parties agreed to schedule additional meetings and exchange further information to attempt to resolve the matter and avoid the need for a contested hearing. The parties also discussed that Jireh, in its hearing request, should ask that the hearing be deferred to give the parties the opportunity to schedule and hold these additional meetings. To that end, Jireh requests that the hearing on this matter be deferred for an appropriate length of time to allow further investigation and discussion.

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If you need anything further in this regard, please feel free to contact the undersigned. Meanwhile, we will continue communicating with Ms. Ellen Chang-Vaughan about our discussions and fact-finding. We look forward to achieving a satisfactory solution in the referenced matter.

Very truly yours,

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