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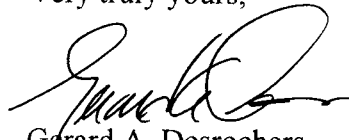
Re: No. 08-1056, *TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Company v. Susan Combs, Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Greg Abbott, Attorney General*; in the Supreme Court of Texas

Dear Mr. Hawthorne:

In this case, my client, the International Association of Geophysical Contractors (the "IAGC"), filed an *amicus* brief in support of Petitioner, TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Company, a member of the IAGC, because the courts below failed to (i) acknowledge this Court's decision in *Humble Oil & Refining Co. v. Calvert* and (ii) apply the Texas Comptroller rule respecting license ownership. Because these issues, which are of substantial importance to the IAGC since their proper analysis has supported its members' Texas franchise tax reporting for many years, have been fully and convincingly addressed in Petitioner's Brief on the Merits, the IAGC will not submit a second or supplemental *amicus* brief in this case.

Kindly date-stamp the enclosed additional copy of this letter and return it to the undersigned via the enclosed envelope.

Very truly yours,



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