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Via U.S. Mail and Fax

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Dear Ms. Turko:

We are in receipt of your letter dated December 9, 1999, which provides a preliminary draft of issues and options for our review and comment regarding the surety bonds provided to MMS by Frontier Insurance Company (Frontier) for Allied Natural Gas Corporation. In addition, you have requested that MMS extend the December 15, 1999, deadline to provide Frontier additional time to complete Frontier's current proposal to avoid forfeiture of its surety bonds.

To provide time for Frontier and MMS to complete discussions and to hopefully come to an amicable agreement in the matter, we hereby extend Frontier's deadline to December 29, 1999. If we can be of further assistance, please contact Ms. Cathy L. Moser at 736-2690.

Sincerely,

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