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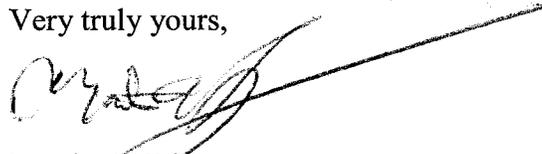
Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary,
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Secretary Katz:

Enclosed in accordance in with SEC Order No. 4-460 (the "Order"), please find the statements in writing, under oath, in the form of Exhibit A of the Order of Equitable Resources' Chairman, President and CEO, Murry Gerber and Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, David L. Porges. Also enclosed please find an extra copy of each certification. We would appreciate if you would date-stamp the extra copies of the certification and return them to us in the enclosed, prepaid Federal Express envelope.

Please call me if you have any questions and concerns.

Very truly yours,



Martin A. Fritz
Deputy General Counsel

cc: Murry S. Gerber, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
David L. Porges, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Johanna G. O'Loughlin, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
John A. Bergonzi, Corporate Controller
Stephen W. Johnson, Esq., Reed Smith, LLP
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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer Regarding
Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, Murry S. Gerber, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Equitable Resources, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with Equitable Resources, Inc.'s Audit Committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, of Equitable Resources, Inc., filed with the Commission;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Equitable Resources, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
7th day of August, 2002.



 Murry S. Gerber
 August 7, 2002



 Notary Public
 My Commission Expires: August 12, 2002

Notarial Seal
 Carolann Bobash, Notary Public
 Pittsburgh, Allegheny County
 My Commission Expires Aug. 12, 2002
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