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October 1, 2007

Ms. Nancy M. Morris, Secretary
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F. Street, NE
Washington, DC 20549-1090

Re: File No. S7-16-07 and File No. S7-17-07

Dear Ms. Morris:

We are writing in response to the Securities and Exchange Commission's proposals to amend its rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, regarding shareholder proposals and to clarify certain exclusions with respect to director elections under Rule 14a-8(i)(8) (collectively, the "SEC Proposals").

Anadarko Petroleum Corporation ("Anadarko") is one of the largest independent oil and gas exploration and production companies in the world. Our mission is to deliver a competitive and sustainable rate of return to shareholders by developing, acquiring and exploring for oil and gas resources vital to the world's health and welfare. At the same time, we believe it is critical to our success to practice good corporate governance and to be a good, responsible, corporate citizen. We also believe that active engagement with our stockholders is very important. And, we sincerely believe that our history of constructive engagement with stockholders can continue to occur without the need for direct access to the proxy statement.

We have considered each of the SEC Proposals as well as some of the other comments submitted to date by other interested parties. While we could provide a lengthy detailed analysis of our position, we believe that our position has been substantially represented in the letter submitted by Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz on September 19, 2007 along with the letter to be submitted today by Business Roundtable (of which Anadarko Petroleum is a member) regarding the SEC Proposals. Accordingly, we hereby express our support for the positions outlined in the Wachtell and Business Roundtable letters with respect to each SEC Proposal.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments regarding each of the SEC's Proposals. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Robert K. Reeves, our Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer, at 832-636-3212.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "James T. Hackett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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