

Letter to Western Ag-Minerals
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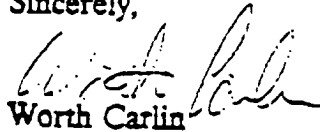
JAMES RANCH UNIT WELL NO. 67

Surface Location: 990' FWL and 1,980' FSL, Section 36, T22S-R30E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Projected Total Depth: 11,225'

Bass had previously received approved drilling permits from the BLM on all three (3) of these wells due in part to Western Ag-Minerals cooperation in supplying potash letters. These permits have expired. Bass hereby requests that Western Ag-Minerals again provide Bass with letters to be submitted with our application to drill, advising the appropriate authorities that Western Ag-Minerals Company does not object to the drilling locations as specified above. Your prompt attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (817) 390-8568. Our Fax No. is (817) 339-7102.

Sincerely,


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