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December 19, 1966



Mr. Buck Willcoxson
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Dear Sir:

Prior to the drilling of the Santa Fe "B" No. 1 well which is located on your property, Mr. Ben Jones, Tidewater Landman, and myself contacted you with regards to building location and road and to discuss damages. It was your suggestion that if the well was dry, you would prefer the bore-hole for water well purposes in lieu of damages. I informed you that this would be satisfactory with Tidewater provided it was acceptable with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission. There was no agreement as to Tidewater preparing the well for water production; only that the surface casing would be left and the hole turned over to you instead of being permanently plugged. Also, I recall no discussion as to the particular water zone you might complete the well.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission informed me that it was acceptable to them for the landowner to take over a bore-hole for water well purposes provided the landowner signed a Form C-103 and Affidavit of Responsibility Conversion to Water Well which I mailed to you May 5, 1966. It was my understanding that prior to the completion of the drilling of the Santa Fe B No. 1, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission did not require cement plugs or casing set to separate each pay for water well completion, provided there was no oil or gas encountered in any of the zones left open in the bore-hole. However, we received a memorandum from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission dated May 10, 1966 regarding the conversion of oil or gas wells to water wells whereby they do require plugs and casing. I am enclosing a copy of this memorandum.

In my letter to you dated July 13, 1966 regarding additional information requested in your letter of July 8, 1966, I stated that I had requested our Durango Office to furnish you with formations from the well samples. Mr. Ben Jones of our Durango Office informs me that Mr. Phil Hogan, geologist on subject well, mailed you a copy of the electric log on this well with possible water sands indicated by red lines. Mr. Hogan has since left Tidewater and at present, we do not have a geologist in our Durango Office. I

requested Mr. Jones to furnish me with formation sample descriptions which I am enclosing.

I am also enclosing a copy of my letter dated July 13, 1966 which gave you the information obtained on the drill stem tests.

Mr. Willcomson, I know of no other information that Tidewater has that would be of benefit to you in making a water well out of Santa Fe "B" No. 1. Please let me know if you desire the bore-hole for water well purposes or if you wish Tidewater to finish plugging.

Very truly yours,

TIDEWATER OIL COMPANY

Original Signed By

C. L. WADE

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Area Superintendent

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Enclosure

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