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Mr. George Hatch
Assistant Attorney General
N. M. Oil Conservation Commission
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Re: Plugging and abandonment
Orville S. Slaughter Jr.
Alice Rosetta #1 825/S
line, 330/W line, Section
16, Township 20N, Range
9W, McKinley County, N. M.

Dear Mr. Hatch:

Notice of Intention To Drill was filed for the above location on February 29, 1968. On April 10, 1968 we received notice of bond approval and the Intent To Drill was approved on April 10.

No further information has been filed by the operator, although a letter was directed to him on April 29, 1968 setting out our requirements.

From personal inspection and communication with people who were in the area at the time, we have determined that the well was drilled. We do not know to what depth the well was drilled but Intent To Drill indicated a proposed depth of 550 feet.

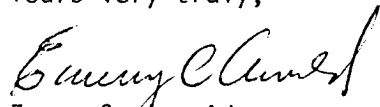
As we have had no response from inquires to the operator regarding this well, I recommend that a hearing be set to have the operator and the bonding show cause why this well should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with New Mexico Oil Conservation rules and regulations.

We will not be able to specify plugging requirements without a log of the well or knowledge of the depth. It will therefore probably be necessary for Commission personnel to be present when a rig is moved to the location so that the depth can be determined. In the absence of any knowledge of the formations penetrated I recommend that we require that cement be placed from total depth to the surface. In the event we do receive additional information from the operator prior to that time, we may be able to amend that requirement on the basis of that information.

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I am mailing a copy of this letter to the operator at the address given on the Notice Of Intention To Drill and also to the bonding company so that they will be advised.

Yours very truly,


Emery C. Arnold
Supervisor, District #3

ECA/me

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