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Mr. Jerome B. Weber  
Helton Engineering & Geological Services, Inc.  
860 Anaconda Tower  
555 Seventeenth Street  
Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: Brent wells drilled on the Diamond Trail Ranch

Dear Mr. Weber:

None of the employees of this office have any recollection of a call from anyone regarding the plugging of well #1 in the subject drilling program.

I did receive a call from someone in the Denver office who advised me that he had just returned to Denver and learned that the first well had been plugged without prior approval. He also advised me that plugging of the #3 well would take place that day. He did not know the formation tops, but he did say that plugs would be set from 2070' to 1947', from 1100' to 367' and 10 sacks to be placed in the 8 5/8" casing. He was advised that all cement plugs may have to be modified when we learned of the formation tops. (We had not received any report of drilling on either of the wells at the time.)

We cannot approve any plugging program before we learn the formation tops.

My letter of August 23, 1978, outlines how I differ with your opinion on formation tops and lack of cement.

I will not approve the plugging of Brent wells #1 and #3 as they were plugged in May, 1978.

Yours very truly,

*A. R. Kendrick*  
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District Supervisor

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