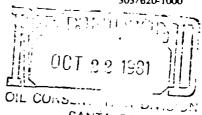


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ATTENTION: Mr. Frank Chavez

RE: EARNHARDT #1 WELL
T 24 N, R 1 W, NE/4

SECTION 35

RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Chavez:

Please accept this statement as notice of the fact that Petro-Lewis Corporation believes that we have no obligation to plug the above-referenced well.

Apparently, when we acquired the assets of Trans Delta Oil and Gas, Inc., we took their right and title to interest in T24N, RlW, Section 35 in the west half only. Our assignments and the exhibits attached thereto indicate no interest in the east half of said Section 35.

Petro-Lewis inadvertantly filed a change of operator form on the entire Section 35 when in fact we only operated the west half of said Section. It is our belief that Dyna Ray Oil and Gas Co., Inc., was the last operator of the captioned well and that the well was temporarily abandoned prior to Petro-Lewis' acquisition of Trans Delta.

Thank you for your assistance in dealing with this matter.

Sincerely,

PETRO-LEWIS CORPORATION

Richard J. Korecki

Landman

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cc: Kimberly Spomer, PLC, 6

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