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Mr. L. C. Arnold Supervisor, District Three New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, New Mexico

Dear la. amnold:

Fursuant to Rule 116 of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and regulations, Revised December 1, 1959, we are advising you of a fire which occurred at Shell's Carson Unit 42-14 well located in Section 14, T. 25 N., R. 12 W. in the Bisti field. This fire occurred at approximately 9:30 m.l. on December 11, 1960, as a result of what was described by witnesses as an explosion in the heater of a hot oil truck. The fire spread to the wellhead and burned for approximately five hours before it was extinguished and the well brought under control. Loss of oil in the truck and from the well is estimated at 30 barrels. The well is presently being returned to pumping production.

Yours very truly,

R. R. Hobison

Division Production Manager

