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Dear Mr. Walsh:

The following is in reply to your letter of December 16, 1985, requesting an extension of the hardship well classification granted the M. J. Brannon Federal 20 Well No. 1-R, Unit J, Section 20, Township 25 North, Range 9 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

The data submitted with your letter indicated that a new packer had been installed in the well and that water production had been reduced to about 10 percent or less of the volume being produced at the time of the hearing for the original hardship application. Further, the production data does not seem to show that the well lost any producibility as a result of being shut-in while the packer was installed.

Without some additional evidence that extensive swabbing would be required if the well should now be shut-in or that shut-in with current water volumes will result in reservoir damage, I am reluctant to grant an extension of the hardship well classification.

A temporary extension of hardship gas well classification for the subject well is hereby granted until March 1, 1986. Any further extension will only follow submittal of information responding to the questions raised in the paragraph immediately above.

Sincerely,

R. L. Stamets
R. L. STAMETS
Director

RLS/dp

cc: Frank Chavez
El Paso Natural Gas Co.
Case No. 8216