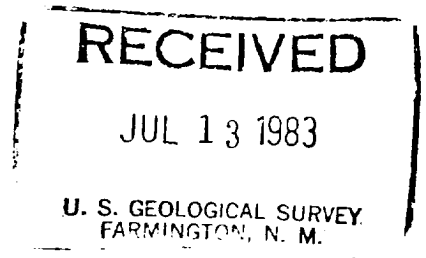




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NM-33027

Attn: John Keller

RE: Permission to vent oil well gas on the South Bisti #1 well,  
SE/4-SE/4-T25N-R13W  
*Sec. 3*

Dear John

Southern Union Exploration Company (SX) is requesting permission to vent gas, not to exceed 30 MCFGPD, on the referenced well. The well was spudded on May 18, 1983 and completed June 13. The well was tested on June 17th, then shut in June 20th pending GOR test. The well was turned on July 1st and the GOR test was completed July 6th. The well has been producing since the 6th with a gas meter installed to monitor the gas production so that the well does not exceed the 30 MCFGPD limit.

Southern Union Exploration is negotiating and is anticipating entering into a gas sales contract within 30 days. Currently right of way is being negotiated with the NIIP and BLM. All lands that the proposed pipeline will cross are in the NIIP. Once right of way is obtained, construction will commence. The gas line will start at the referenced well and proceed eastward approximately 13000' to a tie in located in the SE/4-NW/4 Sec. 6, T25N-R12W. It is uncertain at this juncture how long this process will take as right of way negotiations have just begun, but SX will keep you informed as to progress in this matter.

This application for venting oil well gas is justified as it is anticipated that SX's action plan will eliminate venting of the gas within one year from the date of this letter. If anything further is required, please so advise.

Best regards,

*Michael L. Davies*  
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