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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
**ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT**  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

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AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410  
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July 3, 1986

T.L. Perryman  
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.  
P.O. Drawer AA  
Evanston, WY 82930

Re: TA of West Bisti Unit #153 K-35-26N-13W

Dear Mr. Perryman:

Your request for temporary abandonment approval of the referenced well is approved for a period of one year expiring on June 2, 1987.

You are required to install a bridge plug above the perforations, fill the bore with inert liquid, and pressure test the casing. Report these activities through regular channels.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank T. Chavez".

Frank T. Chavez  
District Supervisor

FTC/dj

xc: Well File  
Operator File



**Chevron U.S.A. Inc.**

Overthrust Area Office, P. O. Drawer AA, Evanston, WY 82930

**T. L. Perryman**  
Area Operations Superintendent

May 22, 1986

**West Bisti Lower Gallup Sand Unit**  
**Request for Temporary Abandonment Extensions**  
**San Juan County, New Mexico**

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Division  
Aztec District Office  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Attention: Mr. Frank Chavez

Gentlemen:

Chevron U.S.A. Inc., as operator of the West Bisti Lower Gallup Sand Unit, requests a two-year extension be granted from this day forward for Well #153, a temporarily abandoned water injection well. This two-year extension is requested so as to facilitate the completion of a waterflood Field Performance Evaluation and Enhanced Oil Recovery Feasibility Study.

Well #153 has been temporarily abandoned since March, 1984 and presently has an approved temporary abandonment status, which expires on 5/1/87. This well is located on a federal lease, however, since it was an injection well approval of an extension is sought through the State of New Mexico, Oil Conservation Division.

Chevron has likewise requested a two-year extension be granted, by the BLM, for eighteen other temporarily abandoned wells in the West Bisti Unit all of which are located on Federal or Indian Leases (see attached correspondence).

In view of the fact that Chevron is currently assembling, reviewing and verifying for study all available individual well and unit data, the premature plugging of temporarily abandoned wells prior to the completion of our study could quite possibly cause a loss of economic incentive. Chevron proposes to work diligently to evaluate the economics potential of this well with the intent to take appropriate action as our study reveals.

Please indicate your approval by signing in the space provided below and return one signed copy of this letter to this office.

Very truly yours,

MJM:gp  
APPROVAL GRANTED:

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1986

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May 13, 1986

West Bisti Lower Gallup Sand Unit  
Request for Temporary Abandonment Extensions  
San Juan County, New Mexico

Area Manager  
Bureau of Land Management  
Caller Service #4104  
Farmington, NM 87499

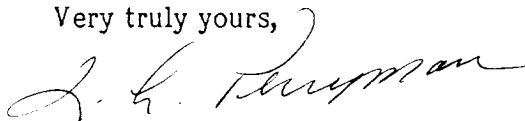
Gentlemen:

Chevron U.S.A., Inc., by means of merger with Gulf Oil Corp. dated July 1, 1985, has been named as successor Operator for the referenced unit. Chevron, as operator, hereby requests a two-year extension be granted, from this day forward, for the nineteen temporarily abandoned wells listed below so as to facilitate the completion of a Waterflood Field Performance Evaluation and Enhanced Oil Recovery Feasibility Study.

In as much as Chevron is currently in the process of assembling reviewing and verifying for study all available data (i.e. production histories, well files, core data, BHP surveys, injection patterns, etc.) the premature permanent plugging of temporarily abandoned wells prior to the completion of our study could very possibly cause a loss of economic incentive. All nineteen temporarily abandoned wells have received last extension dates of January 1, 1987 which, in our estimate, is insufficient time for a prudent Waterflood Field Performance Review. However, Chevron realizes the inordinate length of time many of these wells have been subject to a temporary abandonment status and understands the BLM's desire to force some action. Therefore, we vow to work steadily in an effort to evaluate the economic potential of each TA'd well with the intent to take appropriate action as our study reveals.

Please indicate your approval by signing in the space provided below and return one signed copy of this letter to this office.

Very truly yours,



MJM:gp

APPROVAL GRANTED

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1986

19 Temporarily Abandoned Wells

154, 136, 165, 159, 118, 162, 153, 109, 161, 146, 103, 138, 121, 102, 131, 132, 100, 128, 149

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