## OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 24, 1950

Mr. John Carothers Byrd-Frost, Inc. P. O. Box 911 Durango, Colorado

Dear Mr. Carothers:

This is in answer to your letter of October 17.

You do not make clear whether your unorthodox location is to be a Mesaverde test, or exactly what formations you intend to test. However, this does not materially effect the spacing requirements, because this well is not in an established oil or gas pool. For this reason, the well would come under the statewide spacing requirement for gas wells of one well to 40 acres.

Before an unorthodox location can be granted, it is necessary for us to know the ownership of the offset acreage. We can approve the application without a formal hearing under our Rule 104, if the location is based on topography which is apparently the case, and provided the ownership of all leases within a radius of 660 ft. is common to the tract on which the unorthodox location is to be granted, or if all other owners within this radius will consent in writing to the proposed location.

There is nothing in your letter to indicate ownership, and we must have this information before an unorthodox location can be granted. If you will inform this office as soon as possible regarding the acreage situation, we can then act on your application without further delay.

Very truly yours,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

F. C. Barnes Geologist

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