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Mr. Ralph Abbott 3539 E. 30th Street, Suite 108 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

Re: Palmer #1 G-17-29N-13W

Dear Ralph:

The previous letter sent concerning inadequate wellhead equipment addressed the cast metal ell and tee on the referenced well. This is not the accepted type of connection for use in well head service. These connections will have to be changed out when the well is connected to the pipeline and for the present there is to be no valve shut-in downstream of the wellhead against these fittings.

Our most recent inspection of the above well also indicated that you have built a new pit. This new pit is situated in the drainage from the well location and a recent rain overran the pit washing its contents into the irrigation ditch after washing out the pit wall. This is the second time a pit on this location has overflowed into the ditch. This is very serious and any further violations of this nature well result in fines.

If you nave any questions, please contact this office.

Yours truly,

Frank T. Chavez
District Supervisor