

Americas Region **BHP Petroleum**

September, 25, 1997

Oil Conservation Division Aztec District Office 1000 Rio Brazos Rd. Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Attention: Mr. Johnny Robinson

RE: Gallegos Canyon Unit Well No. 348 API #30-045-26102

P. 24-24N-13 W

Johnny,

Per our conversation BHP has been trying to convey well #348 to Bolack Minerals Company since 1986. It is my understanding now, that they have the correct state bond and all that is required would be a C104 execution. If you could verify this for me and I will try to get Tominy to move forward on this. Please find attached some of the correspondence over the years.

BHP would like to request a 60 day extension to resolve this issue and comply with rule 201B.

If you have any questions, please call me at (713) 961-8332.

Sincerely,

Fred Lowery

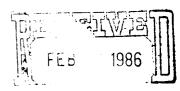
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Operations Superintendent

WOODS INSURANCE SERVICE

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January 29, 1986



BHP PETROLEUM DNV LAND DEPT.

To Whom It May Concern

Tommy Balack

Re: Bolack Minerals Company Bond #01-0130-02305-52-1

Gentlemen:

The above captioned bond is a \$25,000 blanket bond for Federal leases in the State of New Mexico, continuous and in force since 1976 with United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company

Yours sincerely,

WOODS INSURANCE SERVICE, INC.

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Mona Tappan, Office Manager

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State of New Mexico







Commissioner of Public Lands

April 11, 1986

P.O. BOX 1148
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148
Express Mail Delivery Uses
310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

BHP Petroleum

Attn: Mr. William J. Fiant

P. O. Box 3280

Casper, Wyoming 82602

Re: Change of Well Ownership:
Gallegos Canyon Unit Well No. 348
1055' FSL 805' FEL Section 24,
T29N-R13W, San Juan County, New

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Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of your letter of April 7, 1986, advising us that you intend to turn the above captioned well over to the mineral interest owner in lieu of plugging and abandonment.

You also, advise that this well was completed in the Farmington Sand as a noncommercial well and the mineral surface owner, (Bolack Minerals Company), has expressed a desire to take over responsibility of the well to provide fuel for their adjacent ranching/farming operations.

Please be advised that the Commissioner of Public Lands does not have any objections to your proposed request. Inasmuch as the Gallegos Canyon Unit also contains federal lands, please also advise the Bureau of Land Management.

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to callon us.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil and Gas Division

(505) 827-5744

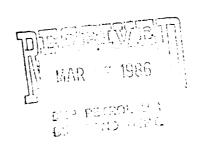
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cc: OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico

BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico Attn: Fluids Branch

1801 Broadway Suite 500 Post Office Box 1407 Denver, Colorado 80201 Telephone (303) 292-3323 Fax (303) 298-7820





4 March 1986

Bolack Minerals Company c/o Tom Bolack 3901 Bloomfield Highway Farmington, NM

Re: #348 GCU Well Turn Over Gallegos Canyon Unit San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bolack:

Please be advised that BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc. has secured the required working interest owners' consent for the turning over of the #348 Gallegos Canyon Unit Well to Bolack Minerals Company (Bolack). We are awaiting the State of New Mexico Conservation Commission's further approval of the turn over. Should they require additional information, we will advise you immediately.

In order to complete our files and provide adequate protection to all working interest owners, we request that you agree to the following:

- 1. BHP, as unit sub-operator of the well, shall turn over the well within 30 days after receiving the Commission's approval to do so. The well shall be turned over at no cost to Bolack Minerals Company and shall include all well materials and equipment. Bolack agrees that it will cease taking gas from the #286 unit well upon availability of gas from the #348 well.
- 2. Bolack shall have the right to inspect the well and wellsite prior to the well turn over, and if Bolack proceeds with the turn over, it agrees to accept the well in its current condition or "as is."
- 3. Bolack agrees that the \$25,000.00 blanket bond for Federal leases in the State of New Mexico is in effect and will remain in effect to the extent and for the amount required by the New Mexico Conservation Commission.
- 4. Should Bolack abandon the well, it will do so in accordance with all regulatory and statutory requirements, and at its own cost and expense.
- 5. Bolack agrees to assume all obligations of BHP in connection with the well and agrees to hold BHP harmless with respect thereto from

Mr. Tom Bolack March 5, 1986 Page 2

the actual well turn over date. Similarly, BHP agrees to hold Bolack harmless with respect to all obligations which have accrued prior to the well turn over date.

6. This letter agreement shall be binding upon the undersigned, their successors and assigns.

If you are in agreement to the above, please sign and return a copy to the attention of the undersigned. We will notify you upon receiving the State's approval for the turn over and set an agreeable date for turning the well over to Bolack Minerals Company.

Sincerely,

Christine L. Hinton

Staff Landman

CLH: dma

cc: B. Fiant

R. Gillespie

AGREED TO and ACCEPTED this 10 day of March, 1986

BOLACK MINERALS COMPANY

Title

BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC.

Title: Bernard A. Wirth

Attorney-in-Fact



April 7, 1986

State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Land P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

Attn: Oil and Gas

Re: Change of Well Ownership: Gallegos Canyon Unit 348

1055' FSL 805' FEL Section 24, T29N-R13W,

San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to a telephone conversation with Mr. Floyd Prando of your office on 4-7-86, concerning the above well. It is our intent to turn this well over to the mineral interest owner in lieu of plugging and abandonment.

BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc. drilled the subject well and completed it in the Farmington Sand. Subsequent testing has indicated that the well is not capable of producing economically. The mineral surface owner, (Bolack Minerals Company), has expressed a desire to take over responsibility of the well to provide fuel for their adjacent ranching/farming operations (see attached letter). We have provided the Oil & Gas Commission with a C-104, "Authorization to Change Ownership". They have indicated that they will insure that Bolack Minerals Company is properly insured.

If you need any additional information, please advise.

Very truly yours,

BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc.

William J. Fiant

Administrator, Field Service

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Attachments

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Separate Forms C-104 must be filed for each pool in multiple completed wells.

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cc: Denver, Attn: Christene Bolack Mineral Co.

Suite 609 5613 DTC Parkway Englewood, Colorado 80111 Telephone (303) 850-9090 DEX: (303) 850-9110



January 28, 1988

Bolack Minerals Company 3901 Bloomfield Highway Farmington, New Mexico 87401 Attn: Tommy Bolack

Re: Assignment and Bill of Sale of the GCU 348 Well SE4SE4, Section 24, T29N, R13W San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bolack:

Enclosed please find a copy of the captioned Assignment and Bill of Sale. Please provide BHP with a copy of the fully executed and acknowledged instrument after it has been recorded. Also, please provide BHP with a copy of current operator's bonds in the name of Bolack Minerals.

Transfer of physical operations for the GCU 348 well should be arranged with Ed Mays, BHP Production Manager, at (303) 850-9090.

Very truly yours,

BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC.

G. Robert Miller Senior Landman

GRM:js Enclosure

cc: Ed Mays - BHP/Denver