

July 1, 1954

Mr. Paul B. Palmer
Box 295
Farmington, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Palmer:

I recently learned from your telephone message to our office that you had completed plugging operations and abandonment on your #1 Hutton well in the SE 1/4 17-29N-13W.

On ^{June} July 29, 1954 I made an inspection trip to this well and from all outward appearances I see no reason why your plugging operation was not satisfactory. However, no Form C-103 has been filed indicating that the cement plug was set below the water sand, at which point you were completing the well as a water well. I believe this depth was around 55 feet. Before this office will be able to approve plugging, Form C-103 must be filed showing exactly what work was done and the present condition of the well. It will also be necessary to have Mr. Hutton sign an affidavit accepting responsibility for the water well. As this case has been advertised for open hearing for the regularly scheduled hearing on July 15, 1954, I would advise you to attempt to comply with the above as soon as possible and if this is done I believe I would be able to write a letter to the Oil Conservation Commission which would make it unnecessary for you to appear in Santa Fe on July 16.

Yours very truly,

Emery C. Arnold
Oil & Gas Inspector
District #3

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cc: Mr. James Hutton, Farmington, N.M.
Mr. W.B. Macey, O.C.C. Santa Fe, N.M.