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May 10, 1971

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State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We hereby make application for administrative approval to drill <u>W.L.H.U. 19B-7</u> as a water injection well located <u>10' from the</u> North line and 1400' from the East line of Sec. 9-17S-29E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The proposed casing program for this well is to set 8 5/8" 20 pound surface casing at the top of the salt expected at 350' and cement with 50 sacks. The oil string is to be 4 1/2" 9.5 pound J-55 casing and will be set at total depth expected at 2540'. The oil string will be cemented with 100 sacks cement. The pay zone is expected at 2490-2503'.

This well is being drilled to replace 19B-6 that is to be plugged and abandoned due to mechanical problems down hole. Well 19B-7 will be 75' west of 19B-6 which was approved by Order No. R-3626.

Attached is a plat showing location of well and the offset wells. The location of this injection well is necessary for the recovery of oil in this area. This well will improve recovery by both the West Loco Hills Unit, operated by Newmont Oil Company, and the Far West Loco Hills Unit, operated by Anadarko Oil Company. The only wells offsetting this well are operated by Anadarko and they have approved this location.

We feel it is of the upmost importance this well be drilled and injection started as soon as possible. With administrative approval drilling could be started immediately.

A copy of this application is being sent to Anadarko. If this well cannot be approved administratively, would you please set this case for hearing and notify us of time and place of hearing.

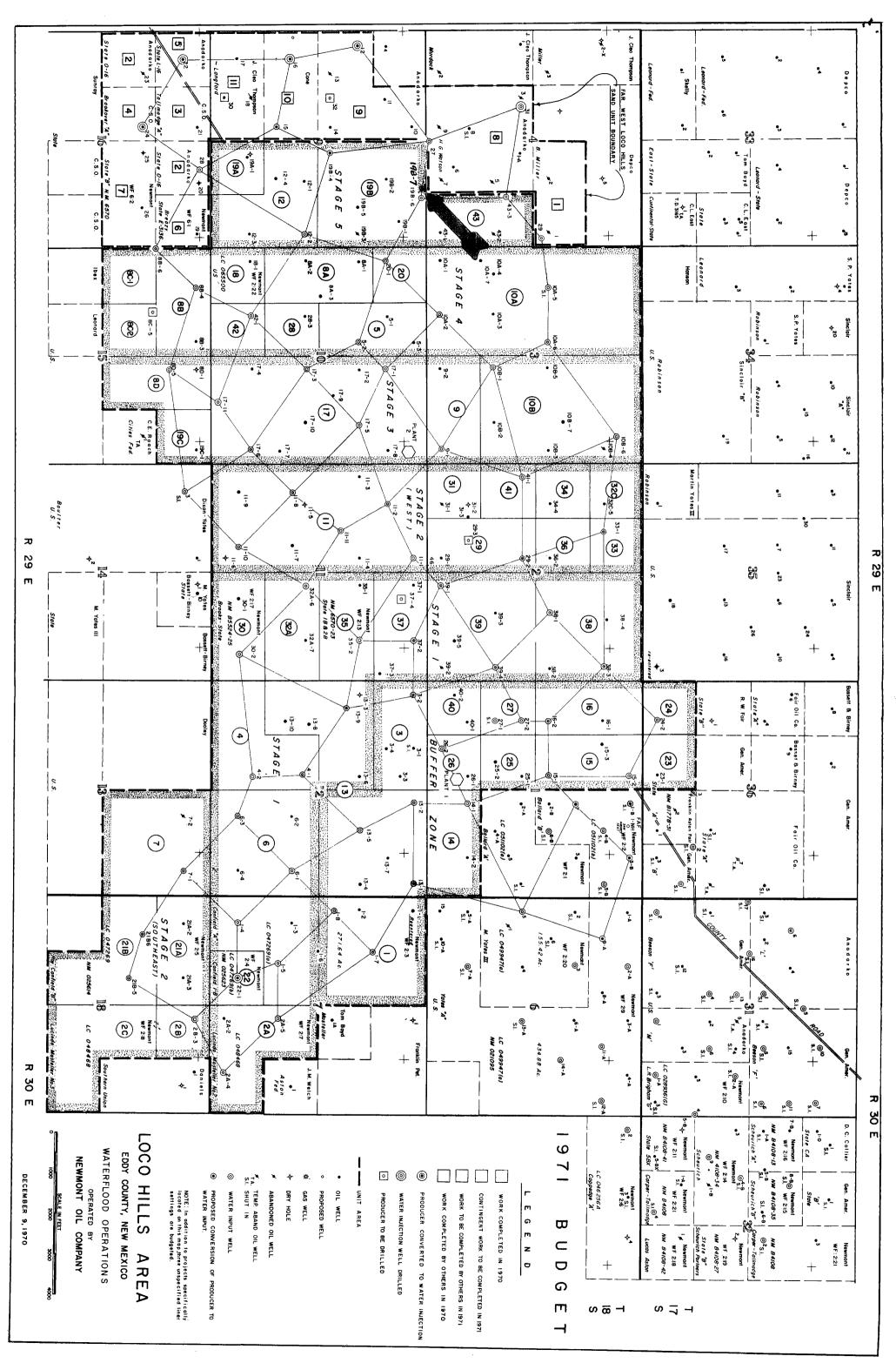
Yours truly,

NEWMONT OIL COMPANY

Herman J. Ledbetter Division Superintendent

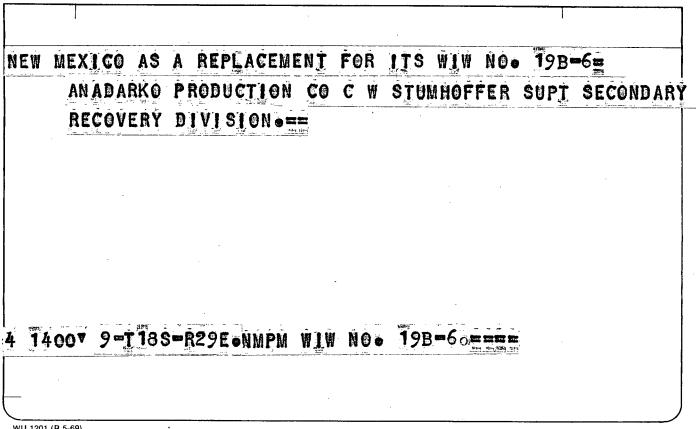
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