



September 7, 1961

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Mr. M. L. Armstrong  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Drawer D. D.  
Artesia, New Mexico

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Re: Reading and Bates, Inc.  
Simms Federal # 1-North  
Benson Queen Pool - Sec.  
34, 18S, 30E, Eddy County

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May we be advised.

Enclosed please find Gas Oil Ratio Report Form  
C 116 - Re: Simms Federal # 1.

Yours very truly,

READING AND BATES, INC.

I. J. Pierce,  
Vice President, Exploration

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.  
Secretary-Director  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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**READING AND BATES, INC.**  
DRILLING CONTRACTORS  
GENERAL OFFICE — PHILTOWER BUILDING  
TULSA 3, OKLAHOMA

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September 14, 1961

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Reading and Bates, Inc.  
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Tulsa 3, Oklahoma

Attention: Mr. I. J. Pierce, Vice President, Exploration

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Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of September 7, 1961, addressed to Mr. M. L. Armstrong of our Artesia office, you are hereby granted permission to produce the above-captioned well without tubing until October 15, 1961. In the meantime, we are setting the matter for public hearing in Santa Fe on October 4, 1961. If you elect to install tubing prior to October 15th, the case will be dismissed. If, however, you desire a temporary exception to our tubing requirements beyond that date, it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission examiner on October 4th and present testimony that would justify the exception from our rule.

A copy of our hearing docket for October 4th will be mailed directly to you.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr.  
Secretary-Director

*[Handwritten initials]*  
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cc: Mr. M. L. Armstrong