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Attention: Mr. R. E. Bennett

*File Well #5
P-24-28N-20E*

Re: Phelps Dodge Wells
Colfax County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Attached are copies of the most recent reports submitted for each of four wells operated by your company. Also attached is a copy of part of Rule 1103, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Regulations.

A cursory examination of this information will illustrate that you are delinquent in filing reports for all four of your wells. Although the requests for testing the Phelps Dodge Wells No. 3 and 3Y were granted, and a check with Southwestern Laboratories revealed that such testing was in fact performed, no results of same were submitted. Because of this, and because the wells have presumably been abandoned for eight months or more without permission, it is imperative that some action be taken since Rule 202B has clearly been violated. Furthermore, you were advised on October 11, 1979, that both of these wells were leaking gas to the atmosphere. To date, we have had no report of any repairs or workovers to stop such leakage (see Rule 3).

A routine inspection on January 8, 1980, found that the Phelps Dodge Well No. 5 had been drilled to some depth and casing had been set and cemented. No data pertaining to the drilling, casing, or cementing have been provided this office. Likewise, no information has been received pertaining to the Phelps Dodge Well No. 2, and as you will observe from the copy of the Form C-101 (attached) approval of that permit has expired.

Kindly review the foregoing, examine the attached, refer to the various rules mentioned, and advise this office of your intentions.

Yours truly,

CARL ULVOG
District IV Supervisor

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