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Shell Oil Company
P. O. Box 831
Houston, Texas 77001

Attention: Mr. G. M. Jobe

Re: Directional Drilling
West Mesa Unit Well No. 1-24
Bernalillo County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter dated August 18, 1981, outlining your plan to plug the subject well back to approximately 15,900 feet and directionally drill the same some 900 feet north of the surface location to a proposed total depth of 18,875 feet.

Inasmuch as the well is a rank wildcat located within a large unitized area, and no issue of waste or violation of correlative rights should ensue, we will forego the necessity of a hearing for the directional drilling at this time.

However Shell should survey the bottom hole location and be prepared to come in for hearing on the matter if production is obtained.

Very truly yours,

JOE D. RAMEY
Director

JDR/DSN/fd

cc: Well file
West Mesa Unit File (Case 6575)
✓Carl Ulvog