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contractors who would be able to plug the subject well. I have had no experience with any contractors in this area and therefore can make no recommendations along that line nor can I add to the list furnished by Mr. Payne. The Commission has received correspondence from Harold P. Doty, P. O. Box 8087, Albuquerque, New Mexico, requesting information about the plugging of the Hawaiian-New Mexico Oil Ventures Well.

It would be to the advantage of the Tri-State Insurance Company as surety company on the bonds covering both the subject well and the Hawaiian-New Mexico Oil Ventures Well No. 1 to arrange the plugging of both wells with the one contractor. With the possibility of some savings to you in mind, a recent inspection of the two wells in question has made it possible to also outline a more plausible plugging program for the Hawaiian-New Mexico Oil Ventures Well No. 1. The latest report available shows the well to have been drilled to a total depth of 3604 feet with 120 feet of 10 3/4-inch surface casing set and cemented with 100 sacks of cement, a sufficient quantity of cement to allow circulation of cement to the surface. It will now be necessary to set a 10-sack plug at T.D., a 25-sack plug at 150 feet and a 10-foot plug at the surface with the regulation marker set in the cement at the surface. The space between plugs is to be filled with heavy mud of the type used in plugging operations.

Inasmuch as the matter of plugging these two wells has been dragged out over a considerable period of time, it is suggested that the matter be taken care of promptly.

It is the wish of this office that the plugging operations of both the Williams and Gore and the Hawaiian-New Mexico Oil Ventures Wells be witnessed by a representative of the Commission and requests notification of the date work is started.

Very truly yours,

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