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Bennett Petroleum Corporation 1776 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203

Attention: R. E. Bennett

Gentlemen:

An inspection of your Colfax County, New Mexico, well sites - Phelps Dodge Lease - was made on December 1, 1978. At that time it was apparent that no attempt had been made to fill the pits or level the locations. Possibly it would still be difficult or impossible to do so. However, in order for us to facilitate the closing of our files and thereby permit cancellation of your plugging bond, it is necessary that such restoration be made.

You will note that New Mexico Regulations require certain reports to be filed for all wells and that there is a time limit for such filing. It appears as if you might have overlooked the need for sending us the Form C-103 and C-105 reports for all of the holes that were actually drilled. (See Rules 117 and 202). Since you have already filed the required C-103 for your Phelps Dodge No. 2 well, and the C-105 forms are not required for an abandoned (not drilled) location; no additional reports need be sent for that particular site.

In order that only one more set of Form C-103's be sent and still be in compliance with Rule 202, it is good practice to report actual plugging work done and set forth a plan for location restoration to be accomplished at some postulated future date. Then, in accord with the last paragraph of Rule 202, you should advise this office when such restoration has actually been completed.

Very truly yours,

CARL ULVOG
District IV Supervisor

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