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November 28, 1980

Mr. Carl Ulvog
District IV Supervisor
State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
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Re: Phelps Dodge Well Nos. 2, 3, 3-Y & 5
Colfax County, New Mexico

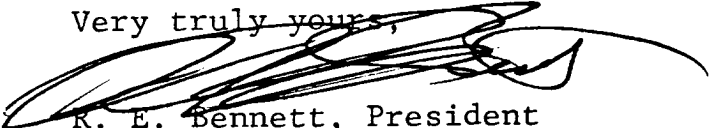
Dear Mr. Ulvog:

As you recall, our last correspondence to you dated July 18, 1980, indicated that a drilling rig was due to arrive on these wells courtesy of Snyder Drilling Company and Cougar Petroleum to handle each well as requested.

We understand Gastin Drilling of Farmington arrived, as scheduled, did limited work on one of Snyder and Cougar's wells, and then left the area. We have been unable to determine why their quick departure.

We have never had an operation go so array and can only apologize for the mass confusion. We have hired David Smink, a registered engineer in Colorado and New Mexico, to handle this matter. He is currently reviewing all the well histories and will meet with you as a result of your most recent letter dated September 26, 1980, to determine the exact requirements and procedures to handle each of the wells. We will then employ a rig which he will supervise to finish this job in a proper way.

Very truly yours,


R. E. Bennett, President

REB:pm

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