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Mr. Gene Daniel  
Deputy Minerals Manager,  
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South Central Region  
Minerals Management Service  
U. S. Department of the Interior  
P. O. Box 26124  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125

Re: Plugging of Federal "17"  
Well No. 1, Unit P, Sec.  
17, T-15-N, R-33-E, NMPM,  
Harding County, N. M.

Dear Mr. Daniel:

On July 22, 1982, I sent you a letter regarding this well requesting that the Minerals Management Service or some other federal agency proceed to plug this well since it was on federal land.

To date, we have received no response from any federal agency regarding the federal plans with regard to plugging this well. In addition, we have not received any request from any federal agency that we proceed to plug this well and then request the federal agency to recover the costs of plugging from the bond which the Federal Government required prior to drilling.

I would appreciate your looking into this matter and seeing if it is not possible for us to proceed in one manner or another so that this well can be properly plugged and abandoned.

Sincerely,

JOE D. RAMEY,  
Director

JDR/WPP/dr