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File 2888

Attention: Mr. Elvis A. Utz

Gentlemen:

Your records will indicate that this company issued a bond in 1938 with regard to the above captioned matter. The bond was for Roy E. Timmons of Hanna City, Illinois. It would appear that to date Mr. Timmons has not complied with your requirements as to the filing of reports and the plugging of the well. You have notified this company that until this has been accomplished, the bond cannot be cancelled. For some time this company has attempted to secure the cooperation of Mr. Timmons so that your requirements may be complied with. For approximately two years, we have not been able to locate Mr. Timmons.

If it becomes apparent that no reports or other information can be secured from Mr. Timmons so that the requirements of your regulations can be met is there any way in wi ch this bond can be cancelled. In other words if Mr. Timmons has in fact disappeared or is deceased, what action can be taken by this company to cancel the bond. We note in your letter of May 29, 1951, that you state, "On my next inspection trip of this area, I shall inspect this location after which time I

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will notify you exactly what will be necessary before this bond can be cancelled. At any rate, we will certainly take action in the near future to either plug the well or cancel the bond." It would appear from this statement that you indicate that some action might be taken by you independent of any requirements on the part of Mr. Timmons wherein the well could be plugged and the bond cancelled.

If in fact you have not as yet inspected the location, it may be that this can be accomplished in the near future. If on the other hand you have inspected the location and find that in some regard the well has not been properly plugged, we would appreciate that information.

Is there the possibility that we can secure the services of an independent engineer who can inspect the location and submit a report to you which would be satisfactory for your surposes? If this report would show that the well has been properly plugged, could the bend then be cancelled? If the report would show that additional work is necessary and if this was accomplished by the bending company could the bend then be cancelled? If this inspection can in fact be accomplished, would you be in a position to recommend a person or company who would be able to handle this for us.

We would appreciate any aid that you may give us in this matter due to the fact that it appears that unless action is in fact taken by this company the bond may never be cancelled.

Yours very truly,

John R. HICKISCH

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