

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

November 6, 1950

C
Mr. L. A. Gillis
107 Garrison Building
Abilene, Texas

Dear Mr. Gillis:

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Regarding the location of the A. G. Hill-Gardner Federal #1, located NE/4, Section 15-25N-2W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, there are several things I would like to point out that will save you difficulty in the future.

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To begin with, this well is located on Federal land and if you have not already done so, a bond should be posted and the proper forms filed with the United States Geological Survey through their district office in Roswell.

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Secondly, while the location set forth in your Form C-101 is not strictly an unorthodox location in the true sense of the term, nevertheless we have always discouraged the drilling of wells in the exact center of the section. In New Mexico, it is ordinarily the practice to move 25 feet in any direction away from the center of the section. In a strict legal sense the well can be located anywhere within a 660 ft. square within the quarter section.

We would appreciate it if this location were changed so that the well would be at least 25 feet away from the center of the section in any direction convenient.

I hope this will not cause any delay in the drilling of your well and if we can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

Very truly yours,
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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cc: Mr. Greer
cc: U.S.G.S.
cc: Mr. Manning

F. S. Barnes
Assistant State Geologist

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