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State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Attention: Mr. Emery Arnold

Supervisor

January 3, 1975

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Re: Casing Failure Bolack "A" No. 1

(B-2-27N-11W) San Juan County

Dear Mr. Arnold:

This is in reply to your letter dated December 24, 1974. Our Federal Sundry Report #9331 for this well was misleading in that it did not show recent activity or present plans for this well.

A well service unit was moved onto the well on August 7, 1974, to conduct work as outlined on Form #9331 dated August 12, 1974. This work was approved by the USGS but with comment in their letter dated August 15, 1974, that the procedure outlined would not be satisfactory for a permanent solution. While working on the well, the tubing was pulled and was found to have five bad joints. The joints were replaced, the Baker Model "D" seal assembly was redressed and the tubing string was hydrotested as it was being run into the hole. Subsequent swab tests of the Dakota ending September 13, 1974, were inconclusive. We are presently attempting to obtain a new gas contract which would allow additional expenditure on the well to avoid having to plug and abandon.

An answer on our inquiry concerning the gas contract is expected very soon. At that time, we will either plug and abandon or repair the casing leak and attempt to restore the well to economic status from the Dakota zone. In either event, we will seek your approval of our proposed procedure.

Yours very truly,

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

J. L. Gaskill

Division Production Engineer

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