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September 12, 1955

Mr. J. L. Davis 407½ Seventh Street S.W. Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

This letter will serve as notification that the Page & Dabis #1 Salmon well in the NW¹/₄ Section 22-29N-11W has had operations suspended as of September 7, 1955 by the District III office of the Oil Conservation Commission. Reasons for the suspension are as follows: (1) No information has been filed with the District III office subsequent to filing of the Notice of Intention to Drill; (2) The driller has reported by telephone conversation that the depth of this well is approximately 1300 feet. Your original permit as set out in a letter from Mr. W.B. Macey dated May 11, 1955, specifies that permission is granted to drill only to the Farmington Sandstone, at a depth of 900 feet.

Inspection of the well site by representatives from this office has shown that the well is flowing artesian water and is also making some gas, presumably from the Farmington Sandstone. This leads us to believe that the well may not be properly cased, and at any rate it should not be left for a very long period of time in its present condition. Unless remedial action is taken within the next 30 days it will be necessary for us to notify the bonding company to show cause why this well should not be plugged.

Since posting shut-down notice on your rig last week we have talked to your drilling contractor and given him permission to attempt to recover a drill bit which he says was lost in the hole. I have instructed him that no further drilling operations are to take place after this is done.

Yours very truly

Emery C. Arnold
Supervisor, District #3

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cc: Mr. W.B. Macey
Oil Conservation Commission
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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October 24, 1955

Mr. J. L. Davis 407 7th St. S.W. Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a letter written to you from the District #3 Office of the Cil Conservation Commission on September 12, 1955. At that time you were notified that the present condition of the Page and Davis #1 Salmon well in the NM/4 Section 2-29N-11W would have to be remedied. We have had no correspondence from you since that time and a field impostion to the well has shown that the well is still flowing artesian water and also making some gas. This leads us to believe that this well has penetrated the Farmington Sandstone, which is a potential producing formation in this area.

We have also noted that the rig has now been moved off the location. This letter will serve as your notification that unless this well is properly plugged and abandoned within the next 15 days, we will take immediate action to call the case before open hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission to have you and your bonding company, Berger and Briggs & Company, 215 Third St, 3.W. Albuquerque, show cause why this will should not be properly plugged and abandoned.

Yours very truly

Reery C. Arnold Supervisor, District #3

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cc: W.B. Macey, Secretary-Director OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

Berger, Briggs and Company 215 Third St, S.W., Albuquerque, N.M.