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## OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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120 East Chaco

Dec 22, 1956

Mr. Bryan Johnson Simms Building Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We recently received a copy of a letter written by Mr. Sherman A. Wengerd to the Pacific Indemnity Company regarding plugging bond on a well known as the Spanish Bit Oil Company #2 Santa Fe in the SEt NEt NEt Section 35-17N-8N, McKinley County, New Maxico. In this letter Mr. Wengerd advised the bonding company that further correspondence should be addressed to you.

Briefly I will review the history of this well so far as we have records available. Notice of Intention to Drill was filed on August 2, 1950 and approved by the Oil Conservation Commission. No further ferms were ever filed with our office however we did learn from other sources that the well was spuided on August 11, 1950 and drilled to a total depth of 1850 feet. At that time it was unefficially reported as plugged and abandoned; however the necessary well record and plugging forms were not filed with our office. Representatives of the Cil Conservation Commission have checked the location on the ground and it appears to be properly plugged; however by our rules and regulations we are unable to release the bonding company from the bond until such time as the proper reports have been filed, setting out where the plugs were set at the time the wall was abandoned. Over the past 3 or 4 years we have had considerable correspondence with Mr. Sherman Wengerd and the bonding company regarding this matter. If the well has been properly plugged it certainly seems to me that someone connected with the Spanish Bit Oil Company should be aware of the facts and be able to file the necessary forms so that the bond may be cancelled. We are therefore enclasing 3 copies of Form C-103. You will note that we have filled in all the information available in our office in the hope that you will be able to assertain how the well was plugged and fill in this information, sign the form and send it back to us. We are also filling out Form C-105 on this well which you will please also complete and return.

Both the Oil Conservation Commission and the bonding company are very anxious that this matter should be finally concluded and any help you will give us will be greatly appreciated.

cc: Sherman A. Wengerd Albuquerque, N.M. Yours very truly

A. L. Porter OCC, Santa Fe, N.M. Pacific Indemnity Co. 3450 Wilshire Elvd. Los Angeles, Calif. Emery C. Arnold Supervisor, District #3

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