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Smith & Marrs, Inc.
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RE: Hayes 3; (L) 29-8-37; API # 30-025-00186

Gentlemen,

There has been no response from you regarding the Intent To Plug and Abandon mailed July 11, 2000. NMOCD Order R-9210 states that an operator may not leave a producing well shut in longer than a year. A review of our records show that this well has not been properly Temporarily Abandoned or Plugged and Abandoned. The following options are available regarding the future disposition of this well.

- 1) The well will be placed back into beneficial use.
- 2) The well will be temporarily abandoned in accordance with Rule 203
- 3) The well will be plugged and abandoned in accordance with Rule 202

To avoid further action, we request that you submit a form C-103 of your intent on one of the above options no later than September 21, 2000. We request that you notify this office 24 hours prior to any operation in order to witness the operation, either repair or plugging and pressure test upon completion of repairs or to request TXA status.

Very truly yours
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Billy E. Prichard
Deputy Inspector, District 1

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CC: Chris Williams
Gary Wink
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BEFORE EXAMINER	
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
<u>OCD</u>	EXHIBIT NO: <u>33</u>
CASE NO: <u>12771-A</u>	