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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
State Land Office Building  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Sirs:

This letter is in response to a request by Mr. Raymond Lamb concerning fresh water supplies in the vicinity of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., in the northeastern part of Eddy County, New Mexico.

The records of the State Engineer Office do not reflect any fresh shallow water supplies in the area nor do they reflect that such shallow water supplies do not exist. The closest fresh water wells which have been noted in fairly comprehensive field checks of the area are those at the headquarters of the "Lusk" ranch in Sections 28 and 29, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, some five miles south and one mile east of the subject section, and shallow wells in the Clayton basin area in Sections 2 and 3, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, six and one-half miles south and two miles west of the subject section. It appears that surface drainage from Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., is directed towards the south and west.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Mr. A. J. Losee