

February 6, 1951

Mr. Clyde B. Neill
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Dear Mr. Neill:

This is in reply to your letter of January 28, 1951:

In answer to your first question regarding the Adams and McGahey well, I have requested a surveyor's plat on this well and received same. The surveyor submitting this plat was Mr. D. S. Durrin, Registered Surveyor No. 244. According to the plat, this well was initially located 2280' from the east line and 960' from the north line of Section 16, which was within a few feet of a 4-inch pipeline. After the survey, this well was moved 350' due east in order to avoid the danger of Ute Creek. This places the well, according to the survey, 1930' west of the east line and 960' south of the north line of Section 16, or 960' west of the east line and 360' north of the south line of the 40-acre subdivision. The surveyor also stated that it was impossible to drill in the center of the 40 due to the topography. I have not yet had the opportunity to inspect this location on the ground, but I will as soon as possible, and if at that time we find that the surveyor's plat is correct, we will be forced to allow this unorthodox location.

Regarding your inquiry as to the Ledgerwood Kinas No. 1, I wish to advise that this is one of several wells which we have on our agenda to investigate and to order plugging and abandoning, or temporary abandonment, if this seems feasible, or a continuance of operation. I understand that this well is the subject of legal controversy at the moment. At any rate, we plan to call Mr. Ledgerwood in for a "show-cause" hearing March 20, at which time we would appreciate your supplying us with all pertinent information regarding contamination of salt or other zones which you are able to get. Between now and that date, it will also be necessary that we supply ourselves with all information. Your co-operation in this matter will be appreciated. I also plan a trip to the Tucumcari area for this specific reason. We will also be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

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