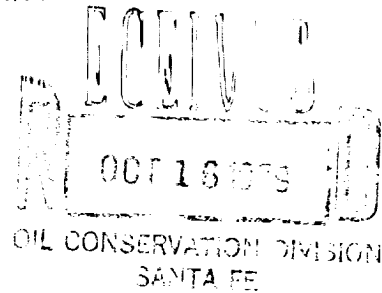


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Mr. Carl Ulvog
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
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Phelps Dodge #5
P-24-28N-20E
Phelps Dodge #2
J-4-28N-21E

RE: Bennett Petroleum
2-3500' Dakota Tests
Colfax County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ulvog:

The casing program on these tests will be 4½" 10.5# casing set @ approximately 3,500' if Dakota is productive.

If Dakota is dry, a plug will be set through the Dakota Sand and 4½" 10.5# casing will be cemented from 500' to 1,800' to enable us to test the shallow gas potential in the area.

If you have any further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jim Snyder".

Jim Snyder
President

JS/mf