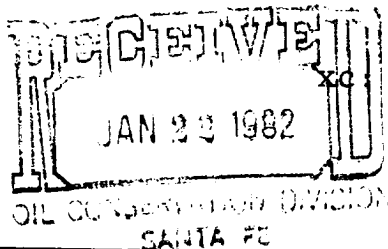


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January 18, 1982

Mr. Jim Snyder
Snyder Drilling Company
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Re: Phelps Dodge Well Nos. 2 and 5
Phelps Dodge Prospect
Colfax County, New Mexico

Dear Jim:

The ball is now back in your court. As you see, they are requesting you to provide them with a notarized copy of the cementing company's report on the P&A of Well No. 2. Please provide us with a copy of this and we will immediately forward it to the proper authorities.

As to the completion of Well No. 5 as a water well, you have an oil and gas lease on private property which does not grant water producing rights. I would, therefore, surmise that Phelps Dodge would not let you produce water from the land regardless of who owns the water. I also presume that the State owns the water, and I bring to your attention our last incident whereby the Water Resources Division would not let us use the water from Phelps Dodge Nos. 1 and 1-A, because the water was within a protected watershed for New Mexico.

Please response as soon as possible so we can have our bond cleared.

Very truly yours,

BENNETT PETROLEUM CORPORATION

R. E. Bennett

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