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Suggested Drilling Fluid Program

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U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Morgan;

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service to you and Boyd Operating Co.

The following is our proposed drilling fluid program for your "Blakemore Federal #1" to be drilled in Section 20, T-9-S, R-26-E, Chaves County, New Mexico.

Surface: 300' of 13 3/8"

We suggest spudding with a gel lime slurry having 32 to 34 Sec./1000^{CC} viscosity. This fluid should be adequate to drill to casing point.

No trouble is anticipated in this interval.

Intermediate: 1,200' of 8 5/8"

We suggest drilling this interval with native mud and maintaining a stable 33 to 35 Sec./1000^{CC} viscosity.

It is very important to maintain a stable viscosity to minimize hole trouble. This fluid should be adequate to drill to casing point.

Production: 6,000' of 5 1/2"

We suggest drilling out from under the intermediate casing with water and using Jet Jel to keep the water clean. This fluid should be adequate to drill to 5,000' or 150' above the Abo formation.

At this point we suggest raising the viscosity to 38 to 40 Sec./1000 and adding 3 to 4% oil to help stablilize the hole. This fluid should be adequate to drill to 5,800', where we suggest adding starch to lower the fluid loss to 10 to 15° .