



IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

P. O. Box 187
Artesia, New Mexico

January 19, 1956

The Vickers Petroleum Co., Inc.
Box 2240
Wichita 1, Kansas

Re: Oil and Gas Lease LC 029431
Proposed unorthodox locations

Attention: Mr. A. E. Collins

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 16, stating therein your desire to drill an unorthodox five-spot well location in the center of the northeast quarter of section 30, T. 16 S., R. 31 E., N.M.P.M., Square Lake Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Office records confirm that Vickers Petroleum Company has drilled four wells, all located in the center of the respective 40-acre tracts comprising the northeast quarter 160-acres of said section 30. The Department does not object to the drilling of "five-spot" well locations, but does object to the drilling in the exact center of said tracts. Furthermore, the drilling of any "five-spot" well locations will be contingent upon approval of the unorthodox location, and/or locations, for the preration purposes by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico.

It is suggested that you discuss the matter with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and request an order approving the unorthodox "five-spot" well location. You should also locate the "five-spot" approximately twenty five feet out of the exact center, placing it in any one of the 40-acre tracts.

Your letter of January 16 will be forwarded to the Supervisor, U. S. Geological Survey, Roswell, New Mexico, for further attention should it be necessary to expedite the handling of the request.

Very truly yours,

(Sig. Sgd.) JOHN A. FROST

John A. Frost
District Engineer

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Will file.