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Mr. James A. Knauf
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Dear Mr. Knauf:

On September 6, 1974, your office approved an Application to Drill
Heard "A" No. 1; 1650' FSL & 1980 FWL of Section 27-16S-30E, Eddy
County, New Mexico.

Due to the inability to secure a drilling rig, I have not been able
to start the actual drilling of this well. I anticipate it will be
started soon. Will you please give me an extension to the time to
start this well.

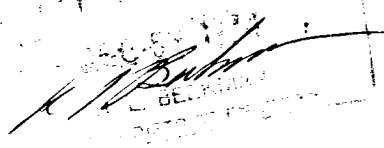
Sincerely yours,



Herman J. Ledbetter

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APPROVED

THIS APPROVAL IS RESCINDED IF OPERATIONS
ARE NOT COMMENCED WITHIN 3 MONTHS.
EXPIRES — MAR 5 - 1975

