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Texas Pacific Oil Company, Inc.
P. O. Box 4067
Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Mr. R. J. Womack

Re: J. H. Ansley Well No. 1
Kennedy Farms Morrow Gas
Pool, Eddy County, New
Mexico

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter dated January 24, 1975, wherein you propose to conduct certain tests on the subject well which would result in the flaring of approximately 20 million cubic feet of gas over a five day period.

While we are not acquainted with all the specifics concerning the well, particularly the "...apparent drop in reservoir pressure suggesting rapid depletion," we are aware that the well was reported to have a calculated absolute open flow of better than 12 million a day. Further, that there is a pipe line within one-half mile of the well.

In view of these facts, and because of the current necessity of conserving as much of our gas resources as possible, we do not feel that your proposal should be approved administratively.

If you wish to have us set this matter for public hearing, we shall do so. If, then, you can establish reasonable necessity for the flaring of this gas, we may be inclined to reconsider this denial.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

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