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RE: Cheesman # 2      B-34-18-28      API 30-015-02167

**This is your third and final letter of direction informing you the well is still in violation of Rule 201**

Dear Sirs:

On 3 January, 2002 and 5 February, 2001 you were notified that this well was in violation. To date the well is not in compliance.

## **201 WELLS TO BE PROPERLY ABANDONED**

201.A. The operator of any well drilled for oil, gas or injection; for seismic, core or other exploration, or for a service well, whether cased or uncased, shall be responsible for the plugging thereof. [7-12-90...2-1-96]

201.B. A well shall be either properly plugged and abandoned or temporarily abandoned in accordance with these rules within ninety (90) days after:

- (1) A sixty (60) day period following suspension of drilling operations, or
  - (2) A determination that a well is no longer usable for beneficial purposes, or
  - (3) A period of one (1) year in which a well has been continuously inactive.
- [7-12-90...2-1-96]

**This well must be brought into compliance on or before 1 April, 2002.**

Failure to bring this well into compliance by the date stated will cause further enforcement. Such enforcement can be an order to Show Cause why the bond should not be forfeited, the well plugged and civil penalties assessed.

Sincerely,

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Van Barton  
Field Rep. II