

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTIVIENT **OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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August 2, 1978

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Cortez Corporation P. 0. Box 6646 Odessa, Texas 79760

> State 26 Well No. 1, Re: G-26-13S-33E; Fair Well No. 1. D-24-18S-26E \$10,000 Blanket Bond No. 060S3428 BCA

Gentlemen:

Although the State 26 Well No. 1 has been plugged, the location has not been cleaned up and a final plugging report filed in accordance with Rule 1103.

The Fair Well No. 1 has been temporarily abandoned for over six months without a permit. This is a violation of Rule 202. This well should be plugged and abandoned immediately. If you will not do so voluntarily, the Division will formally order it plugged and will make demand on your surety.

Additionally, you are in violation of Rule 101 for failure to obtain new bond coverage.

Unless I hear from you by August 15, I will be forced to commence legal proceedings. Violation of Division rules may result in fines of up to \$1,000 a day.

Very truly yours,

(Ms.) LYNN TESCHENDORF General Counsel

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Jerry Sexton cc: Bill Gressett Aetna Casualty & Surety Co.

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