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D. C. C. ARTESIA, OFFICE

June 12. 1961

Mr. Paul E. Heskins 801 First Mational Bank Building Midland, Texas

Dear Mr. Haskins:

Your Notice of Intention to Drill Southern Federal well No. 5 (copy attached) in the NEWN's sec. 30, T. 19 S., R. 31 E., M.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Maxico, lease New Maximo 06814, has been forwarded to this office for approval. The lease lies within the "Potash Area" designated by the Secretary of the Interior and is subject to the stipulation that all wells drilled to formations above the base of the Delaware sand or to a depth above 5,000 feet, whichever is the lesser, must be approved by the Director of the Goological Survey.

Pursuant to authority delegated by the Director, U. S. GeoBogical Survey on June 7, 1960, I hereby approve the Notice of Intention to Drill the Southern Federal well No. 5 to a depth of approximately 2,300 feat to test the Yates formation.

Please notify the District Engineer, U. S. Geological Survey, Drawer U. Artesia, New Mexico, in sufficient time for a representative to vitness all cementing operations.

Very truly yours,

[Orig. Sgd.) JOHN A. ANDERSON

JOHN A. ANDERSON Regional Oil and Gas Supervisor

Attachment

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