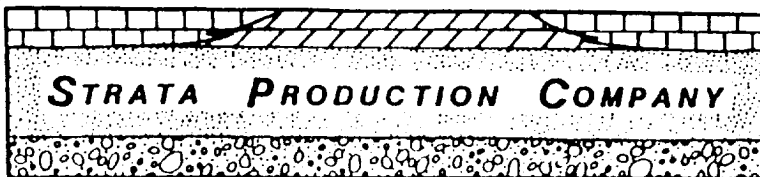


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November 27, 1989

To: Offset Operators
Marathon
Hondo Oil & Gas, Inc.
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Re: Notification of Deviated Wellbore
Chaparral State # 1
Sec. 32, T-19-S, R-29-E
Eddy County, New Mexico

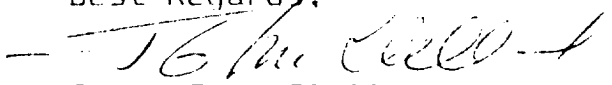
Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find a copy of Form C-101 (APD) submitted to the State of New Mexico concerning the sidetracking of the above mentioned well.

In a recent re-entry of this well, Strata made an unsuccessful attempt to get into a casing stub at 6069'. After evaluation, it is Strata's intention to sidetrack by setting a cement plug over the stub and directionally drilling around the obstruction. The new bottom hole location should be approximately 1880' FNL & 860' FWL. (See enclosed diagram)

Please indicate your approval of this operation by signing and returning a copy of this notice to Strata at the letterhead address or via telefax at (505) 622-3533.

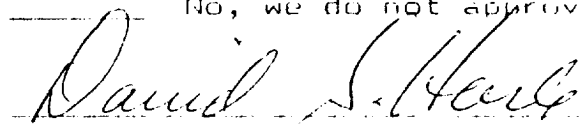
Best Regards,


James G. McClelland
Vice President - Administration
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X Yes, we approve, please continue.

 No, we do not approve, please contact me.


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