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January 10, 1979

Mr. Gressett
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Dear Mr. Gressett:

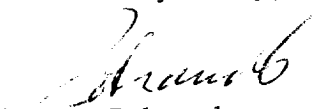
On January 5, 1979, we returned the Conoco Levers Federal #1 to production to Gas Company of New Mexico. The well was shut-in November 27, 1978, when Gas Company of New Mexico began line repairs on their main line from gas wells in the basin area. The well was shut-in all the month of December, and we were unable to return it to production because of high line pressures and equipment problems. This shut-in period caused the well to load up with water. A nitrogen job had to be performed to return it to production. After the work was completed, we had to flare gas for approximately 16 hours until sufficient well head pressure was built up enough to go on line with all the gas production. This took place from 4:00 p.m., January 5, 1979, to 8:00 a.m., January 6, 1979. We were flaring at a rate of about 850 MCF/D as we eased it back on line, and flared approximately 567 MCF for that period of time.

The well is produced from the Cisco Canyon formation which is a natural water drive, and it flows sour gas. Its normal production is 1.8 MMCF/D, 40 BOPD, and 1,500 BWPB.

We tried to obtain verbal permission to flow the gas on January 5, 1979. In the future, when this must be done, we will notify your office in advance.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact us if more information is needed.

Yours very truly,


H. C. Pokrandt
Production Superintendent

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