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the producing perforations was removed January 15, 1969 and operations were started to put the well into production. Since the well was ready to go into uninterrupted production when the bridge plug was removed, January 15, 1969 is recommended as the effective date for completion of the Marathon Oil Miller Ranch Unit Well No. 1.

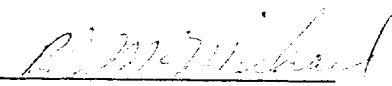
Subsequent to completion, the well died and a pump is being installed at the present time. Performance of this well for the next several weeks could be significant in determining if the well is capable of producing in paying quantities. Marathon plans to observe the producing capabilities of the discovery well prior to filing an application for designation of a participating area and plan of development. As soon as determination can be made concerning whether or not the well can produce in paying quantities, appropriate action will be taken.

If agreeable to the Director, the Land Commissioner, and the Oil Conservation Commission, Marathon respectfully requests that the date of January 15, 1969 be accepted and confirmed as the date of completion in so far as this date applies to the Unit Agreement. Please address your reply to Marathon Oil Company, P. O. Box 552, Midland, Texas to my attention.

Yours very truly,

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