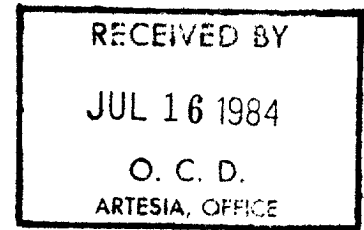


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July 11, 1984

Mr. Les Clements  
State of New Mexico  
Energy & Minerals Department  
Post Office Drawer DD  
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Re: Casinghead gas overproduction  
Superior Federal #4 Lease  
Wildcat (strawn) Field,  
Und. Group 7  
Unit I, Sec. 5, T-20S, R-29E  
Eddy County, N.M.

Dear Mr. Clements:

I understand from our phone conversation that it will not be necessary to shut this well in as long as overproduction is made up within the next ninety days. I wish to request permission to balance this overproduction by shutting this well in three days out of every seven for the next ninety days. We feel this is preferable to choking back on the well as this can often cause Strawn wells to load up and die. Your careful consideration in this matter will be deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*Ralph P. Watkins*

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Petroleum Engineer

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OK  
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