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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico

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Patoil Corporation 605 Midland National Bank Building Midland, Texas

Attention: Mr. O. H. Stanfield

Gentlemen:

Your Notice of Intention to Drill Wright-Federal Well No. 1 \$copy attached) in the NW&SW& sec. 27, T. 23 S., R. 31 E., N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, lease Las Cruces 069511; has been forwarded to this office for approval. Part of 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 5000 fest, whichever is the lesser, must be approved by the Director of the Geological Survey.

Pursuant to authority delegated to me by the Director, U. S. Geological Survey on May 17, 1961, I hereby approve the Notice of Intention to Drill the Wright-Federal well No. 1 to a depth of approximately 4400 feet to test the Bell Canyon formation.

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

Very truly yours,

(Orig. Sgd.) JOHN A. ANDERSON

JOHN A. ANDERSON Regional Oil and Gas Supervisor

Copy to: Washington (ltr. only) ____NMOCC, Artesia (2) (w/2cys Notice)