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New Mexico Oil & Gas Conservation P. O. Drawer D-D Artesia, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. W. A. Gressett

Subject: NO. 1 CONTINENTAL STATE WELL - NW4, NW4, SEC 32, T 23 S, R 31 E.

Gentlemen:

In furtherance of our telephonic discussion of February 14, 1961, I can now advise that the AEC is interested in instrumenting the subject well if found to be a dry hole.

Mr. Leonard estimates a TD on or near February 20. If agreeable with you, he will plug at Total Depth and temporarily cap the top of casing. The AEC may then install instruments later and complete plugging at top of salt, porous zones, and at top of hole as you may require.

Your written approval of this proposed procedure is requested. Please furnish information copy to Mr. Leonard as his release.

The cooperation of your offices with the Atomic Energy Commission is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest Wynkoop AEC Support Director

CC: J. A. Leonard