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Commissioner of Public Lands
Box 1148
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Re: State Lease K-617
Byron McKnight
Grandi Ranch #1
(formerly Samedan Oil Corporation
Union-State #1)
Sec. 19, T-23-S, R-26-E
Eddy County, New Mexico

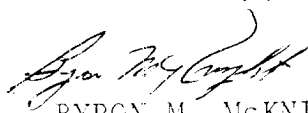
Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the undersigned has assumed operation of the captioned well which is being drilled on State Lease K-617 under the provisions of paragraph 16.

A completion rig has been moved on location and it is intended to run 5 1/2" casing to a total depth of 11,450 ft. and complete this well in one or more indicated pays in the Pennsylvanian formation.

You will, of course, be kept advised as to the progress being made in completing this well.

Yours truly,


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Attch.-C-103

cc: Samedan Oil Corp.
Union Oil Co., Roswell
Humble Oil & Rfg. Co., Midland
Oil Conservation Commission, Artesia

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