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Pennzoil United, Inc. P. O. Drawer 1828 Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: B. C. Sinclair

Dear Mr. Sinclair:

This letter is in answer to your letter of May 14, 1971, and in confirmation of our telephone conversation of May 24, 1971.

The 4-point absolute open flow test of 2-24-71 filed by your company for your Echols Com No. 1 - 12-23-26 has been determined to be a non-stabilized test. Eccause of this it will be necessary to retest the well after the pipeline connection of May 3, 1971.

In the case of imminent connection of a gas well within a reasonable period of time, I am of the opinion that the "before connection" test could be waived by the district office.

I also believe that if a "before connection" test can be shown to be stabilized within the specified one-hour flow rates an exception to the "after connection" test could be made by the district office.

I trust that this will confirm our telephone conversation and clarify any misunderstanding as to Rule 401 of the General Rules and Regulations.

Very truly yours,

ELVIS A. UTZ Gas Engineer

