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Continental Oil Company
P.O. Box 660
Bobbs, New Mexico 88240

Gentlemen:

Your Application for Permit to Drill well No. P-James Ranch Unit in the SW1/4, sec. 31, T.22S., R.31E., E.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, lease NM-02953 to a depth of 14,835 feet to test the Morrow formation in the Potash Area, is hereby approved.

Drilling of the well must be in compliance with the enclosed "Drilling Well Control Requirements for Deep Wells Drilled on Federal Oil and Gas Leases in the Artesia District", dated June 22, 1974.

One copy of the Application is returned herewith. Please notify the District Engineer, Geological Survey, Post Office Drawer U, Artesia, New Mexico, 88210, in sufficient time for a representative to witness all cementing operations. The office phone number is Area Code 305-746-0838.

Sincerely yours,

(ORIG. SGD.) JAMES W. SUTHERLAND

**JAMES W. SUTHERLAND
Area Oil and Gas Supervisor**

Attachment

cc:

Regional Manager, Denver
Mining Branch (2)
RLM, Roswell (w/cy Notice)
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