August 17, 1973

U. S. Geological Survey P. O. Drawer "U" Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attention: Mr. James A. Knauf

RE: Samedan Oil Corporation Ho. 1 Sloan Federal 660' FNL and 1980' FWL Section 15, T-26-S, R-23-E Eddy County, NM

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that I desire to assume operations and retain the Samedan Oil Corporation No. 1 Sloan Federal as a fresh water well for my ranch operations. It is my understanding that Samedan has complied with all of the rules and regulations pertaining to plugging and abandonment of the subject test well, and that their casing will remain in the hole to be used as a fresh water well. Cement has been poured around the surface casing to prevent contamination from surface waters.

If any additional information is needed, please advise me. It is my understanding that Samedan Oil Corporation will file this letter with their plugging report to your office and the Bureau of Land Management office.

Very braly yours,

L. E. Sloan, Jr.

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