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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
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Roswell, New Mexico 88201

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ARTESIA, OFFICE

Belco Petroleum Corporation
411 Petroleum Building
Midland, Texas 79701

Gentlemen:

Your application to drill well No. 9 - James Ranch, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 6, T. 23 S., R. 31 E., Eddy County, New Mexico on lease NM-02887-D was approved April 2, 1979, for a one year period. Inasmuch as the approval expired before drilling operations commenced, our approval of the application is hereby revoked.

If you decide to drill this well at a future date, you should re-submit an Application to Drill for approval.

Sincerely yours,

(Orig. Sgd.) ROGER A. CHAPMAN

for James A. Gillham
District Supervisor

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