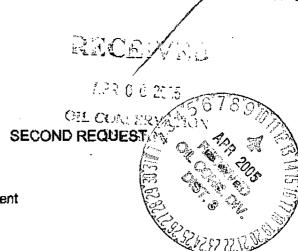
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March 29, 2005



FAX NO.

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department P. O. Box 6429 Santa Fe, NM 87502

RE:

Bond number: SLR 11141670015

Principal: Smokey Oil Company, A Corporation

Description: \$7,500 One-Well Plugging Bond, Schmitz Anticline #1 - API No. 30-039-23379, 1650' FSL and 1980' FWL of Section 25, Township 24 North, Range 1 West, Rio

Arriba County, New Mexico

Amount: \$7,500.00 Effective: May 6, 1999

## Gentlemen:

Fireman's Fund Insurance Company is surety on the captioned bond, and we are asking that you provide us with the current status below. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience in replying. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Eileen M. Robison Surety Department

Phone: 415/899-4309 Fax: 415/899-2229

e-mail: erobison@ffic.com

The bond is released. Approximate release date
The provisions of the bond have been met, but the bond is not released because
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The provisions of the bond have not been met and the bond is not released.  Signature

Title

April 11, 2005

Mrs. Robinson

Re: Smokey Oil Company, Schmitz Anticline #1 API# 30-039-23379

Greetings:

The request for the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's release of bond is denied.

We cannot release the bond as requested until the well is in compliance with Oil Conservation Division rules and regulations.

We have received a notice of intent to plug and abandon the well April 12, 2004. We are to be notified a minimum of 24 hours before the plugging operations begin. We have not received a subsequent report of plugging,

Once we receive the subsequent notice of plugging a Compliance Officer will conduct a well site inspection to verify that the well is plugged and the location is in compliance with the rules and regulations. Once this is done then the Bond may be released.

If you have any questions please let me know,

Thanks
Charlie Perrin
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division
District Supervisor
Aztec NM
505-334-6178 ext 16

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CC Dorothy Phillips