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Mr. R. G. Ladd, Jr.
District Drilling Superintendent
Union Oil Company'
P. O. Box 2620
Casper, Wyoming 82601

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I am sending you a book of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations under separate cover so that you may become familiar with New Mexico law.

You will note from Rule 104 that statewide spacing for oil wells is 40 acres and for gas wells is 160 acres. Also note that in this district gas well locations must be 790 feet from quarter section lines. As your location is 330 feet from the center line of the section, I presume it is a wildcat oil test and 40 acres would be the proper acreage dedication.

You have requested that information concerning this well be held confidential for 12 months from the spud date of the well. This is in conflict with New Mexico law which states that information will be held confidential for 90 days following completion of the well upon request of the operator. We will be glad to hold information from you well confidential for the period specified by our law. Please stamp all copies of information filed "confidential".

I am returning our copies of Federal Application for permit to drill you your Jicarilla #1 well fo that you may correct your dedication.

It you have questions concerning any of the above matters please contact me.

Thank you.

Yours very truly

Emery & Arnold

Supervisor, District #3

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cc: U. S. G. S., Durango, Colorado