

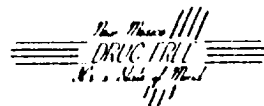


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Amax Oil and Gas Inc.
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RE: Temporarily Abandoned Wells
Argo #1, C-18-27N-10W

To Whom It May Concern:

Our records indicate that you failed to respond to Memorandum (3-91-10) dated December 27, 1991. The well is still inactive and requires P&A or TA approval under Rules 201, 202 and 203. Plans to bring this well into compliance were to be submitted to this office by June 30, 1992 and work completed by December 31, 1992. Rule 203 requires that a notice of intent to temporarily abandon a well be submitted on a Sundry Notice (OCD Form C-103) and that a mechanical integrity test (MIT) be conducted on the casing prior to final approval. If there is a notice of intent to P&A filed and approved for this well the work is to be completed by December 31, 1992, or the well is to be tested and approved for TA.

A case will be docketed for hearing to show cause why referenced well should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division approved plugging program.

Sincerely,

Dianna K. Fairhurst

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Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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