



# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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September 30, 1970

Tenneco Oil Co.  
Suite 1200  
Lincoln Tower Bldg.  
Denver, Colorado 80203

Attn: Mr. Jim Massey

Dear Sir:

The Bradenhead test which was conducted on your Bolack B #5 well, J-31-27N-8W, indicates the possibility of casing failure although the results are in no way conclusive.

Will you please schedule this well for bradenhead retest in order that a final determination may be made? I suggest that the well be shut in for at least twenty-four hours prior to commencing the retest in order that more definite results may be obtained.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor District #3

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cc: Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Farmington, New Mexico

Engineering & Production Service, Inc.  
Box 190  
Farmington, New Mexico



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January 15, 1971

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Mr. W. C. Nance  
Tenneco Oil Company  
Suite 1200  
Lincoln Tower Building  
Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Casing Failure, Tenneco Oil Co., Bolack <sup>B</sup>~~49~~, J-31-27N-8W,  
Basin Dakota Pool

Dear Mr. Nance:

On September 30, 1970, I requested a bradenhead retest on the above well in order that a definite determination of the condition of the well could be made. This retest was conducted on October 14, 1970 and the test report was submitted on January 7, 1971. This test clearly indicates that the production casing has failed and that gas is escaping into the production casing- surface casing annulus where it is unconfined.

You are hereby directed to take immediate remedial action to repair the production casing in this well.

Please submit form C-103 setting out your plan of remedial action for approval prior to beginning operations.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

  
Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3

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cc: Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico  
United States Geological Survey, Farmington, New Mexico  
Engineering & Production Service, Farmington, New Mexico



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June 14, 1971

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Re: Casing Failure, Tenneco Oil Co., Bolack B #5, J-31-27N-8W

Dear Mr. Nance:

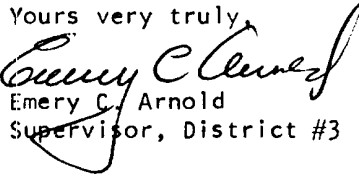
I am enclosing a copy of a letter dated January 15, 1971, from this office to Tenneco Oil Company directing that immediate remedial action be taken on the above well.

Our records do not reflect that an action has been taken as of this date. I am therefore notifying our legal department in Santa Fe to set a case for hearing to provide you an opportunity to show cause why this well should not be either repaired or plugged and abandoned. I anticipate that the case would be set either late in June or early in July. You will be notified of the hearing date when it has been set.

In the event you elect to take action prior to the hearing date, please contact this office for approval of plans prior to commencing action.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

  
Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3

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cc: Mr. George Hatch  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

United States Geological Survey  
Farmington, New Mexico