

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

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November 4, 1985

Mr. Jeff Taylor Oil Conservation Div. P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Re: El Paso Natural Gas Co. Howell B #3 M-3-30N-7W

Dear Jeff:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I sent Mr. Charles W. Dein on September 28, 1985, directing EPNG Co. to reenter and replug the referenced well. EPNG Co. has not complied.

In order to protect the environment, prevent waste and protect fresh water, please docket a case calling for El Paso Natural Gas Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Howell B #3, located 990 feet from the South line and 890 feet from the west line of Section 3-30N-7W, should not be reentered and properly plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division approved plugging program.

The well was drilled on a federal lease and the original plugging was approved by the U.S. Geological Survey.

Yours, truly,

Charles Gholson
Oil & Gas Inspector

CG/dj Enclosure

xc: Richard Stamets

John Keller, BLM Farmington

Well File