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Mr. H. M. Brimhall
3049 West Orangewood
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Mr. Brimhall:

This will acknowledge and thank you for the check in amount of \$40, together with the notation on my letter to you.

I dislike to be giving you conflicting information, but I also like to keep you informed of developments.

You will recollect that in my letter of March 23d I indicated that the oil company would probably ask for a hearing de novo before the entire commission. It would in effect be going over the entire application for forced pooling again. Mr. Durrett, the attorney for the commission at the time, informed me of this fact. I am sure he was sincere. However, last Monday while I was eating dinner at the Country Club, a man by the name of Hampton, who was at the Santa Fe hearing, approached me informally and extended congratulations on winning the case at Santa Fe and obtaining the forced pooling order. I informed him that I understood that they were in effect going to appeal the granting of our relief and have another hearing. He said that his understanding was that the company was going to abandon this procedure and were going to abide by the terms of the order, so I can merely state these facts to you and we will hope that they won't go into another hearing.

I will continue to keep you advised and I wish to thank you for the fine cooperation you have given me in this matter, as I am sure you can understand it is something of a handicap for us to conduct our negotiations by correspondence.

We have had great help in this matter from Mr. Emery Arnold who has acted very fairly from the standpoint of all parties concerned.

Yours very truly,

JJ/b

cc - Mr. Don Jensen
Mr. Jim Durrett, Jr
Mr. Emery Arnold

