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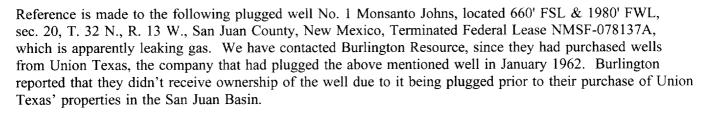
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Mr. Frank Chavez New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission 1000 Rio Brazos Rd Aztec, NM 87410

Dear Mr. Chavez:



Our records show the lease was terminated in the early '60's and the bond released. Therefore there are no responsible operators or bonds covering the subject well. In our discussions, agreement was reached that the plugging reclamation fund would be used to cover any plugging costs since there are no bonds that can be collected to cover replugging of the well. We also agree that the well should be placed on a low priority because there are more urgent cases to be addressed at this time.

We appreciate all the assistance NMOCD has provided in dealing with leaking and unplugged wells and look forward to more cooperative efforts in dealing with these issues.

If you have any questions please contact Stephen Mason with this office at (505) 599-6364.

Sincerely,

Duane Spencer

Team Leader, Petroleum Management Team

Enclosure

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January 26, 1999



Bureau of Land Management ATTN: Mr. Steve Mason 1235 La Plata Highway Farmington, NM 87501

RE: Monsanto Johns #1 Well

Section 20, T32N, R13W, San Juan County

Dear Mr. Mason:

After your inquiry Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company (BROG) researched its records regarding ownership of the above-captioned well. BROG's records do not indicate that it ever received any ownership interest in the well.

If you need any additional information on this matter, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

John H Bemis

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cc: Peggy Bradfield

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