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February 7, 2002

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Cecil Lee Overcast Hwy 380 W P.O. Box 306 Tatum, NM 88267

RE:

Principal:

Cecil Lee's Company

Bond #:

610-031501

Obligee:

State of New Mexico

**Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department** 

Dear Mr. Overcast:

While Cecil Lee's Company was operating wells:

Cecil Lee's Company Landreth State No. 1

API No. 30-025025595

Cecil Lee's Company Crossroad Devonian Unit No. 1 API No. 30-025-20735

the Westchester Fire Insurance Company bonded you under a Plugging bond.

The bond was canceled December 26, 1984 for future liability. The State of New Mexico believes these wells were acquired, started or drilled during the period of our bond. They are now calling for the wells to be plugged.

A hearing is scheduled for February 21, 2002. The Surety would like to be assured that you will attend the hearing and correct whatever deficiencies need to be corrected.

We wish to point out that in the event the Westchester Fire Insurance Company pays any loss as claimed under your bond, the company will succeed to all rights which the obligee the State of New Mexico, would have against you arising out of the circumstances charged.

In the event we do not hear from you on or before February 14, 2002, we will assume you will not attend the hearing. In that case the surety will be forced to hire legal counsel to attend the hearing to protect its interests.

All fees accrued for this hearing, any loss or expenses paid by the bonding company, involved with settling this matter, will be the responsibility of Cecil Lee Overcast per the conditions of the bond.

I look forward to hearing from you.

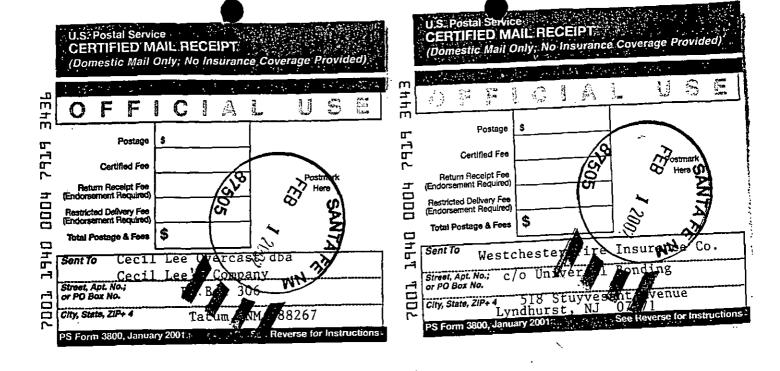
Sincerely,

Jim Rochotte
Bond Claim Consultant
United States Fire Insurance Company

NM Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Pat, Claim Unit Hartgraves Insurance 423 S. Main Street Lovington, NM 88260

Jennifer Campbell



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