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PATRICK B. McMAHON

May 5, 2000

Billy Prichard
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Re: S. E. Anderson Estate #1

Unit Letter B, Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 35 East

Dear Mr. Prichard:

This firm has recently been employed to institute a probate proceeding for the estate of Gloria Violet Anderson Chandler, deceased, who was the surviving widow of Walter W. Anderson. I am informed that Mr. Anderson died in 1987, and his surviving widow, Gloria Violet Anderson Chandler, inherited his interest in the above captioned matter. She was ill for several years prior to her death. We represent Bennie Arlen Anderson, who has been appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate of Gloria Violet Anderson Chandler, deceased, in the Lea County District Court, Probate Number PB2000-0004-C. For your file, I have enclosed a photocopy of the Letters Testamentary and Acceptance.

At my request, Patrick McMahon, an attorney with this firm, reviewed the well file for the above captioned well at the District 1 office on May 5, 2000. He found in the file a copy of your letter dated January 26, 2000, addressed to Walter W. Anderson, Box 301, Caprock, New Mexico 88213. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of Mr. Anderson's death and the death of his surviving widow. I have been in contact with the OCD office in Santa Fe to apprise them of the foregoing information, and I have just obtained the well name and API number.

In view of the fact that we have a Personal Representative appointed and will need an opportunity to evaluate the situation concerning the above captioned well, including the options set forth in your letter of January 26, 2000, we request the OCD to grant us an extension to respond to your letter of January 26, 2000. On this date we have obtained a copy of the documents in the well file and those are being made available to the Personal Representative by forwarding through the U.S.

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mail.

In view of the fact that the Personal Representative does not reside in New Mexico and just became aware of your letter, I request ninety (90) calendar days in which to respond to your letter of January 26, 2000.

If you have any questions concerning the foregoing, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

HEIDEL, SAMBERSON, NEWELL & COX

By C. Lene Sambuson

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pc: Mr. Bennie A. Anderson, w/encl.