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December 2, 1995

H. V. Harlow Corporation
119 West 15th
Amarillo TX 79101

Re: Properly Abandoned Wells

Dear Mr. Harlow;

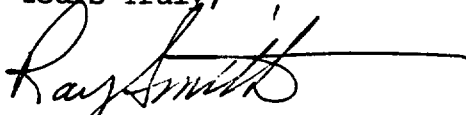
Thank you for your letter dated November 28, 1995.

We with the NMOC are very sympathetic with your situation and we do understand the economics involved. However, there are time limits and rules in place to control how long a well may sit idle. The OCD does not want any well plugged if there is a future need for the borehole, but we are going to enforce Rule 201 B which gives you the option to place a bridge plug over the perforations and testing the casing.

I would like to add that house bill 65 is in place that will give producers an incentive to place these wells back on production.

Please let me know by December 15, 1995 what you plan to do.

Yours Truly,



Ray Smith
Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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