OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO

December 30, 1959

Mr. R. R. McCarty Humble Oil & Refining Company P. O. Box 1600 Midland, Texas

Dear Mr. McCarty:

Reference is made to your request for administrative approval of an exception to the no-flare provision of Order No. R-1427 for 5 oil wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Cil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

After studying your application, the Commission has determined that administrative approval cannot be granted. Accordingly, the case has been set for hearing before the Commission on January 13, 1960. It would be helpful if your witness in this case is prepared to testify concerning the present casinghead gas production from these wells and the disposition thereof.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT WESTERN DIVISION

P. O. BOX 1600

MIDLAND, TEXAS

December 22, 1959



New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr., Secretary-Director

Dear Sir:

R. R. MCCARTY MANAGER

J. S. BOLDRICK

OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT

H. L. HENSLEY DEPARTIONS SUPERINTENDENT
H. E. MEADOWS
ENGINEERING COORDINATOR

A. J. BEDFORD
ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

We have just been informed by El Paso Natural Gas Company that a delay in delivery of material may prevent gathering of our Bisti-Lower Gallup casinghead gas until approximately January 15, 1960. In Order R-1427 prohibiting the flaring of gas after December 31, 1959, the Commission provided for granting of exceptions to prevent undue hardship.

Humble Oil & Refining Company operates five oil wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Pool: Bisti Oil Unit 1, State AY-1 and State AZ 1,2,3. Gas from these wells has been contracted to El Paso Natural Gas Company, and all of the necessary approvals have been obtained from the Federal Power Commission. It is felt that Humble has taken every possible step to conduct prudent operations and should not be penalized for delays over which this company has no control.

It is therefore requested that administrative exception to Order R-1427 be granted Humble's Bisti Oil Unit, State AY, and State AZ leases for a period of one month or until El Paso Natural Gas Company's installations are completed, whichever is earlier.

Sincerely yours,

HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

R. R. McCARTY

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