OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

December 21, 1960

Continental Oil Company 825 Petroleum Building Roswell, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. W. A. Mead

Re: Continental Wm. Mitchell A-21 Sec. 20, Twp. 17 S, Rge 32E, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter of December 1, 1960, regarding the above-captioned well, wherein you stated that although staked and spudded as a non-standard location in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, in accordance with Commission Order No. R-1822, the deviation from the vertical was of such magnitude and direction as to cause the well to be bottomed in the Paddock formation in the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 20.

Inasmuch as the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 20 is the only 40-acre tract actually proven productive by the subject well, it is the opinion of the Commission that this is the tract which should be dedicated to the well.

We are, therefore, by carbon copy of this letter requesting the Hobbs office of the Commission to make whatever amendments may be necessary to the well file and the promation schedule to properly reflect that the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 20 is dedicated to the well.

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Continental Oil Company is hereby directed to make application for a hearing and to obtain approval for same prior to commencing or recompleting any well in the Paddock formation in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 20.

Inasmuch as this is Federal land, it is also suggested that the United States Geological Survey be notified of this matter.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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cc: Mr. Joe Ramey New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Hobbs, New Mexico

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