

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

July 5, 1963

**United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
301 San Mateo, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico.**

**Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers**

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company,  
\$10,000 Blanket Well Plugging Bond**

**Gentlemen:**

**Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission,  
District No. 3, Aztec, New Mexico, has advised me that the Great  
American Oil Company John Sargent Estate wells have been satis-  
factorily plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved  
plugging program. We therefore release our demand concerning  
these wells.**

**Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.**

**Very truly yours,**

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General**

**JMD/ear**

**cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer  
Oil Conservation Commission, District No. 3  
1000 Rio Brazos Road - Aztec, New Mexico**

**United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
115 1/2 East Main  
Farmington, New Mexico**

**Fred E. White, Esq.  
White & Musgrove  
Attorneys at Law  
112 North Behrend  
Farmington, New Mexico**

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# Oil Conservation Commission



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AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

STATE GEOLOGIST  
A. L. PORTER, JR.  
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

June 28, 1963

Mr. J. M. Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order R-2453  
Great American Oil Company

Dear Jim:

We received the subsequent reports today of the plugging of wells as required by subject order.

I witnessed the plugging operations of the three wells. They were plugged in accordance with my recommendations when the status of each hole was determined.

I believe the surety company has fulfilled its obligation in this case. Your copies of the forms C-103 will be forwarded in the near future.

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Yours very truly

*A. R. Kendrick*  
A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

June 19, 1963

**United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company**  
1154 East Main  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company, \$10,000  
Blanket Well Plugging Bond

Gentlemen:

Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission District No. 3, Aztec, New Mexico, advised me today that your company had recently contacted him concerning plugging operations on the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate Wells and that you were proceeding with due diligence to plug the wells. Therefore, please disregard my letter of June 18, 1963.

Suit will not be filed as long as you are proceeding to plug the wells with due diligence.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General

JMD/esr

cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer  
Oil Conservation Commission  
District No. 3  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
301 San Mateo, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

June 18, 1963

**United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company  
115 1/2 East Main  
Farmington, New Mexico**

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company, \$10,000  
Blanket Well Plugging Bond**

**Gentlemen:**

On May 7, 1963, Mr. Dan Garner, USF&G, Farmington, New Mexico, advised me over the telephone that your company would take bids and let plugging contracts immediately on the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate Wells Nos. 1, 3, and 5, pursuant to the above order. On June 10, 1963, Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission District No. 3, Aztec, New Mexico, advised me that although a plugging contractor had stopped by to discuss the requirements of the operation stating that he had been asked for a bid on the job, the District Office in Aztec had not yet been notified of the time and date plugging operations were to commence.

As your principal is now in default under the provisions of Order No. R-2453, the Commission will be forced to file suit against the Great American Oil Company, as principal, and your company, as surety, on the \$10,000 Blanket Well Plugging Bond if these wells are not immediately plugged.

Very truly yours,

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General**

**JMD/esr**

**cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer  
Oil Conservation Commission District No. 3  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico**

**United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
301 San Mateo, S.E.**

**Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers**

GOVERNOR  
JACK M. CAMPBELL  
CHAIRMAN

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**Oil Conservation Commission**



1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

June 10, 1963

LAND COMMISSIONER  
E. S. JOHNNY WALKER  
MEMBER

STATE GEOLOGIST  
A. L. PORTER, JR.  
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order  
No. R-2453

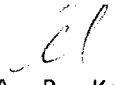
Dear Jim:

I understand that U.S.F. & G. has changed personnel in Farmington. The new man has not contacted us yet.

However, a plugging contractor has stopped by to discuss the requirements of the operation. He said that he had been asked for a bid on the job.

Sorry, we can't close the files yet.

Yours very truly,

  
A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

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**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**P. O. BOX 871**

**SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

**June 7, 1963**

**Mr. Al R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District No. 3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Artec, New Mexico**

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company, Well  
Plugging**

**Dear Al:**

**On May 7, 1963, Mr. Dan Garner, USF&G, Farmington,  
New Mexico, called me and stated that he would take bids  
and let plugging contracts immediately on these wells.**

**Please advise me as to whether or not he has con-  
tacted you concerning the matter.**

**If the wells have been plugged, we need C-103 forms  
to close our files.**

**Very truly yours,**

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney**

**JMD/esr**

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**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**P. O. BOX 871**

**SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

**May 1, 1963**

**Mr. Al R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District No. III  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico**

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company, Well  
Plugging**

**Dear Al:**

**Please advise me of the status of the Great  
American Oil Company wells. I plan to file suit  
within the next couple of weeks if the wells are  
not plugged.**

**Very truly yours,**

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney**

**JMD/ear**

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 15, 1963

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Fred E. White, Esq.  
White and Musgrove  
Attorneys at Law  
112 North Behrend  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company, Well  
Plugging

Dear Fred:

Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, District No. III, Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec, New Mexico, has advised me that a field inspection on April 9, 1963, disclosed that the roads to the John Sargent Estate Wells No. 1, No. 3, and No. 5 are dry and passable, and that a plugging rig can be moved in on the existing road. Please advise Mr. Stafford that he should begin plugging operations in the immediate future in order to comply with Order No. R-2453.

The Commission will have no alternative other than to file suit against the Great American Oil Company and United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company if the requirements of Order No. R-2453 are not fully met by May 1, 1963.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Special Assistant Attorney General

JMD/esr

cc: United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
301 San Mateo, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers

Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, District No. III  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Aztec, New Mexico



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1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

STATE GEOLOGIST  
A. L. PORTER, JR.  
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

April 10, 1963

Mr. James Durrett  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company  
Sargent Estate Lease

Dear Jim:

The road to the wells on subject lease is dry and passable. I drove to wells #1 and #3 yesterday.

Someone had been to the location of the #3 well to haul out some drilling tools.

I think that a plugging rig can be moved in on the existing road.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

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<b>Fred E. White, Esq.</b> <b>White &amp; Musgrove</b> <b>Attorneys at Law</b> <b>112 North Benford</b> <b>Farmington, New Mexico</b>		POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE
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Letter 3-22-63 (Order R-2453)

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PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

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<b>United States Fidelity &amp; Guaranty Company</b> <b>Attn: Mr. Jason Rogers</b> <b>301 San Mateo, S.E.</b> <b>Albuquerque, New Mexico</b>		POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE 
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Letter 3-22-63 Order R-2453

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(Additional charges required for these services)

## RETURN RECEIPT

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SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

[Signature]

DATE DELIVERED

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ADDRESS WHERE DELIVERED (only if requested in item #1)

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# #1-INSTRUCTIONS TO DELIVERING EMPLOYEE

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addressee

☐ Show address where  
delivered

(Additional charges required for these services)

## RETURN RECEIPT

Received the numbered article described on other side.

SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE (must always be filled in)

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SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

[Signature]

DATE DELIVERED

MAR 25 1963

ADDRESS WHERE DELIVERED (only if requested in item #1)

CSS-16-71548-4 GPO

P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE

**DELIVER AS ADDRESSED**

Mr. Billy Joe Stafford  
Great American Oil Company  
General Delivery  
~~Station C~~  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

CERTIFIED

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED.

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## RECEIPT FOR CERTIFIED MAIL—20¢

SENT TO Fred E. White, Esq. White & Musgrove		POSTMARK OR DATE  3-22-63
STREET AND NO. Attorneys at Law 112 North Behrend		
CITY AND STATE Farmington, New Mexico		
If you want a return receipt, check which <input type="checkbox"/> 10¢ shows to whom and when delivered <input type="checkbox"/> 35¢ shows to whom, when, and address where delivered If you want restricted delivery, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 50¢ fee		
FEES ADDITIONAL TO 20¢ FEE		

FD-350 Form 3800  
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## RECEIPT FOR CERTIFIED MAIL—20¢

SENT TO United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, Attn: Mr. Jason		POSTMARK OR DATE  3-22-63
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CITY AND STATE Albuquerque, New Mexico		
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## RECEIPT FOR CERTIFIED MAIL—20¢

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CITY AND STATE Albuquerque, New Mexico		
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FEES ADDITIONAL TO 20¢ FEE		

FD-350 Form 3800  
Apr 1960

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**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**P. O. BOX 871**

**SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

**March 22, 1963**

**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN  
RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**Fred E. White, Esq.  
White & Musgrove  
Attorneys at Law  
112 North Behrend  
Farmington, New Mexico**

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,  
Great American Oil Company, Well  
Plugging**

**Dear Fred:**

**I am enclosing herewith a certified copy of Order No. R-2453 entered by the Commission on March 20, 1963. I also am, by copies of this letter, forwarding certified copies of this order to your client and the surety on the Great American Oil Company plugging bond.**

**Please note that the order requires all of the wells to be plugged on or before May 1, 1963, and that Mr. Emery Arnold, District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec, New Mexico, must be notified of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.**

**Please contact me if you desire any additional information concerning this matter.**

**Very truly yours,**



**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Special Assistant Attorney General**

**JMD/esr  
Enclosure**

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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March 22, 1963

Fred E. White, Esq.  
White & Musgrove  
Attorneys at Law

cc: Mr. Billy Joe Stafford  
Great American Oil Company  
General Delivery  
Station C  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers  
301 San Mateo, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Mr. Emery Arnold  
District Supervisor  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

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Oil Conservation Commission



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MEMBER

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

March 1, 1963

STATE GEOLOGIST  
A. L. PORTER, JR.  
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

Mr. D. S. Nutter  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil Co.  
Well Plugging

Dear Dan:

We prefer that the resultant order from subject case does not show the plugging pattern for the affected wells. We would rather have the regular Forms C-102 for approval prior to the plugging operation so that we can witness the plugging.

The contractor who does the plugging should be able to move in and out prior to June 1, 1963.

If the order must show a plugging program, please use the following:

John Sargent Estate #1, N-4-1S-2E (M & B): Set cement plugs as follows:

- 60 sacks from 800' to 1022' (P.B.T.D.)
- 70 sacks from 400' to 650' or 25 sacks across pipe stub if casing is cut and pulled.
- 20 sacks from 70' to 120'
- 10 sacks from surface to 10' with required steel pipe marker.
- Heavy-mud plugs to be used between cement plugs.

John Sargent Estate #3, K-32-1N-2E (M & B): Set Cement plugs as follows:

- 60 sacks from 1000' to 1215' (T.D.)
- 100 sacks from 500' to 900'.
- 80 sacks from 100' to 400'.
- 10 sacks from surface to 10', with required steel pipe marker.
- Heavy Mud plugs to be used between cement plugs.

John Sargent Estate #5, P-4-1S-2E (M & B): Set Cement plugs as follows:

- 16 sacks from 1150' to 1213' (T.D.)
- 120 sacks from 550' to 1000'.
- 70 sacks from 70' to 320'.
- 10 sacks from surface to 10' with required steel pipe marker.
- Heavy mud plugs to be used between cement plugs.

*All pits to be filled. All locations to be cleaned of debris and graded.*

*Yours very truly*

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. R. Kendrick'.

*A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, Dist. #3*

**ARK:ks**

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

February 28, 1963

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Y  
Fred E. White, Esq.  
White & Musgrove  
Attorneys at Law  
112 North Behrend  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2663, Great American  
Oil Company, Well Plugging --  
Your File No. 758

Dear Fred:

Thank you for your letter of February 25, 1963. An order has not yet been entered in this case as it was stipulated at the hearing that the wells would be transferred to another operator, producing, or plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963. A plugging order was to be issued by the Commission if one of these three events had not occurred by February 15, 1963. In view of the stipulation at the hearing, the Commission did not desire to enter an order requiring the wells to be plugged by February 15, 1963, as we realize that it is difficult to sell a well which the Commission has ordered plugged. However, since your requirements of the stipulation were not met by February 15, 1963, the Commission has no alternative other than to issue an order that the wells be plugged. We are presently preparing such an order and will forward a copy of the same to you immediately upon its issuance.

Thank you for your cooperation in this case.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Special Assistant Attorney General

JMD/esr

cc: Mr. Emery C. Arnold, District Supervisor  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

FRED E. WHITE  
JAMES W. MUSGROVE

WHITE & MUSGROVE  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

February 25, 1963

112 N. BEHREND  
PHONE 325-1956

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Att'n: James M. Durrett, Jr.

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American  
Oil Company, Well plugging.  
Our File No. 758

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter of January 2, 1963. I have finally contacted Mr. Stafford of Great American Oil Company, and he wrote on February 12, 1963, that they were trying to do everything possible to comply with the Order. He stated that they had been unable to get to the well due to the snow and the condition of the land, and that he had written Emory Arnold about the reason for the delay. He further stated that he had complied in part on the Order and that the rest of the Order would be complied with within the very near future.

I never did receive a copy of the Order which I assume was entered in this case, and would appreciate receiving same at your earliest convenience. By copy of this letter, I am advising the Aztec District Office of the matters herein stated.

Very truly yours,

WHITE & MUSGROVE

BY 

FEW/ems

cc: Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Billy Joe Stafford  
Great American Oil Company  
General Delivery - Station C - Albuquerque, New Mexico.



JOSEPH MASSAGLIA, JR. PRESIDENT

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SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA

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Ernest Arnold  
and family  
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Dear Ernest

I have complied in part  
with the order of the Commission  
but due to the weather conditions  
it has been absolutely impossible  
to comply with the whole order.  
I have said that leave to a  
company in Hawaii and should be  
completed next week. Thanks  
for your patience. Give my  
Regards to all

Sincerely

Billy Stafford

P.S. I will give you the name of the  
new company who deal is finished.

GOVERNOR  
JACK M. CAMPBELL  
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission  
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MEMBER

STATE GEOLOGIST  
A. L. PORTER, JR.  
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO  
January 31, 1963

Mr. James Durrett  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company

Dear Jim:

We have received some forms from Great American Oil Company,  
but none of the forms indicate an intent to either complete  
or abandon the wells.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*January 31, 1963*

Mr. William J. Stafford  
Great American Oil Company  
107 Washington SE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Co.  
#3 Sargent, N-32-1N-2E, M &  
B Survey, Rio Arriba Co, N.M.

Dear Mr. Stafford:

The casing must be cemented in subject well if the well is to be completed as a producible well.

Rule 107 explains the cementing requirements.

The attached Form O-103 indicates that the casing was set on a shoulder without cement; therefore, we cannot approve it.

Yours very truly



A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

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attachment.

cc: OGC, Santa Fe, w/attachment

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# NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

FORM C-103  
(Rev 3-55)

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

(Submit to appropriate District Office as per Commission Rule 1106)

Name of Company Great American Oil Company				Address 107 Washington, S.E., Albuquerque, N. M.		
Lease Sargent	Well No. 3	Unit Letter M	Section 32	Township 1 North	Range 2 East	
Date Work Performed January, 1961	Pool Wildcat			County Rio Arriba		

THIS IS A REPORT OF: (Check appropriate block)

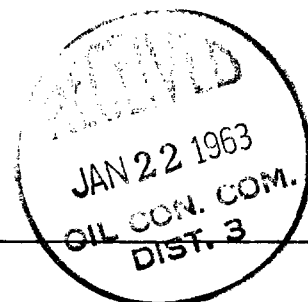
- ☒ Beginning Drilling Operations
 ☐ Casing Test and Cement Job
 ☐ Other (Explain):  
☐ Plugging
 ☐ Remedial Work

Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used, and results obtained.

Spud date January 15, 1961

Set 8-5/8" new 20# J-55 @100 feet with 30 sacks cement  
 Ran 670 and 67" setting on shoulder)  
 Drilled to total depth of 1215 feet

Temporarily abandoned at 1215 feet to await further testing.



Witnessed by	Position	Company
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### FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY

#### ORIGINAL WELL DATA

D F Elev.	T D	P B T D	Producing Interval	Completion Date
Tubing Diameter	Tubing Depth	Oil String Diameter	Oil String Depth	
Perforated Interval(s)				
Open Hole Interval		Producing Formation(s)		

#### RESULTS OF WORKOVER

Test	Date of Test	Oil Production BPD	Gas Production MCFPD	Water Production BPD	GOR Cubic feet/Bbl	Gas Well Potential MCFPD
Before Workover						
After Workover						

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Approved by	Name <i>William J. Hofford</i>
Title	Position President
Date	Company Great American Oil Company



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EDWIN L. MECHEM  
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico  
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AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

January 3, 1962

Mr. James J. Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American  
Oil Company, Well Plugging

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the letter of stipulation of subject case.

The only progress we can report at this time is that Mr. William J. Stafford of the Great American Oil Company did visit this office about December 1, 1962. He picked up some forms to file for the affected wells in order to get the records complete prior to a proposed sale of the properties. We have not received any of the forms or other communication from the company.

We will keep you advised of any progress.

Yours very truly,

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

January 2, 1963

Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil  
Company, Well plugging -- Case  
No. 2666, M. J. Florance, Well  
Plugging

Dear Al:

I am enclosing herewith carbon copies of letters I have dispatched to the attorneys for the defendants in the above two cases. These letters should be self-explanatory concerning the stipulations entered in these cases.

We will issue an order concerning the M. J. Florance well on January 16, 1963, and on the Great American wells on February 15, 1963, if they are not satisfactorily plugged or producing by these respective dates.

I would appreciate your placing these cases in a suspense file and forwarding a plugging program to me about one week prior to the plugging date if it looks like it will be necessary for us to issue an order.

Please advise me if you need any additional information concerning these cases.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney

JMD/esr  
Enclosures

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

January 2, 1963

Mr. Fred E. White  
Attorney at Law  
112 North Behrend  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American  
Oil Company, Well Plugging

Dear Fred:

This is a reminder that it was stipulated at the hearing in the above case that the Great American Oil Company would have the following three wells either producing or satisfactorily plugged on or before February 15, 1963:

John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

It was mentioned during the hearing that your client expected to have the wells sold by about the middle of November. If the sale has been consummated, a Form C-110 should be

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January 2, 1963

Mr. Fred E. White  
Attorney at Law  
Farmington, New Mexico

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filed with the Aztec District Office showing change in ownership. If the wells have been sold and a Form C-110 has not yet been filed, we would appreciate your client doing so in the immediate future. Also, we would appreciate your keeping the Aztec District Office advised of your client's progress with the wells.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney

JMD/esr

cc: Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

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1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*December 28, 1962*

*Mr. James Durrett  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico*

*Re: Case No. 2665*

*Dear Jim:*

*Please advise us by letter of the agreement reached in subject case.*

*Yours very truly*

*A. R. Kendrick*  
*Engineer, District #3*

*ARK:ks*

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

December 26, 1962

Mr. James G. Caster  
Attorney at Law  
P. O. Box 4095  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil Company,  
Well Plugging, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Jim:

I have now received the transcript in the above case and can furnish you with the details of the stipulation that was made at the hearing of this case.

Mr. Fred White, Attorney at Law, Farmington, New Mexico, appeared on behalf of Great American Oil Company and stipulated that all three wells would either be producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963. He stated that Mr. Billy Joe Stafford, the president of Great American Oil Company, was in California trying to arrange to sell the wells and that they expected to have the wells sold about the middle of November. We have not yet received a transfer of ownership form on any of these wells. Therefore, I assume the sale was not consummated. In accordance with the stipulation, if the wells are not either producing or satisfactorily plugged on or before February 15, 1963, an order will automatically issue from the Commission requiring the wells to be plugged in accordance with a designated plugging program.

Please advise me if you need any additional information concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney

JMD/esr

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 10, 1962

Mr. Jim Caster  
Attorney at Law  
P. O. Box 4095  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil  
Company, Well Plugging, Rio Arriba  
County, New Mexico

Dear Jim:

As I was not able to contact you last night at the reserve meeting concerning the above case and your request for a continuance, I wanted to write this morning to let you know the Commission's decision on your request.

I presented your request for a continuance in detail to the Commission; however, they stated they would not be willing to grant a continuance at this time as they feel Great American Oil Company has been very uncooperative up to this point and that the matter should not be delayed any more than is absolutely necessary. Therefore, we will have to go ahead with the case on October 18 in Farmington. However, they did state that they would be willing to hear a request for a continuance when the case is called at the regular hearing in Farmington, but that they would feel that there would have to be substantial grounds for granting such a request.

Jim, I am afraid this is about all I can do for you at this time. Since the Commission feels the case should proceed unless substantial grounds are shown for granting a continuance, it will be necessary for me to proceed with the case at the regular Farmington hearing.

Let me know if I can otherwise assist you.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney

JMD/esr



UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY

ALBUQUERQUE BRANCH OFFICE

L. K. KING, MANAGER

301 SAN MATEO BLVD., S. E.

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

TELEPHONE: ALPINE 6-3547

October 10, 1962

JAMES A. LYONS  
SUPT. OF CLAIMS

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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

Re: Case No. 2665 - Our File No. 63-S-442 -  
Great American Oil Company - State of New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We have your Notice that you have called a hearing to give the Great American Oil Company an opportunity to show cause why certain wells should not be plugged in accordance with Commission-approved plugging program.

We have made every effort to contact the principal officer of the Great American Oil Company and have been unable to locate anyone with ability to do the plugging. Therefore, we will make arrangements for the plugging to be done at the earliest convenient time. We will have our representative in Farmington, New Mexico arrange for the plugging under the supervision of your engineer Mr. A. R. Kendrick without further delay. It may be that you can avoid the hearing. At least, we will have our Farmington representative work out a schedule for the plugging with Mr. Kendrick as soon as possible. We will appreciate your vacating the hearing and saving whatever time it would require as soon as the plugging schedule has been arranged.

Very truly yours,

*C. L. Fogleman*  
C. L. Fogleman  
CLAIM DEPARTMENT

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cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

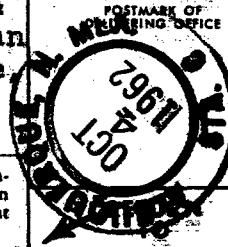
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New Mexico - Attention:  
Mr. Jason Rogers



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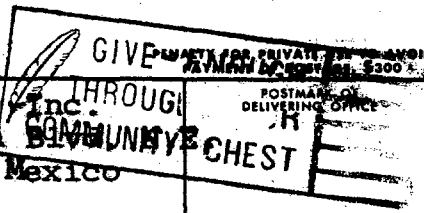
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE - NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 2665

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit Great American Oil Company and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the following wells should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

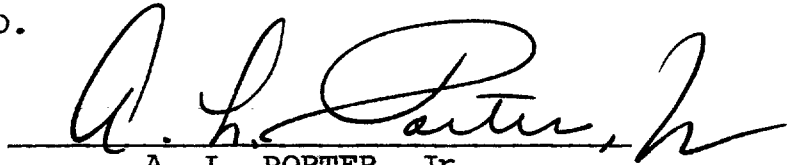
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- (3) John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

TO: Great American Oil Company  
107 Washington, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
301 San Mateo, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

N O T I C E

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE ENTITLED AND NUMBERED CAUSE WILL COME BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M., OCTOBER 18, 1962, FARMINGTON CITY HALL, 800 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO.

  
A. L. PORTER, Jr.,  
Secretary-Director

I hereby certify that I have mailed a copy of this Notice to the above-named parties on this 3rd day of October, 1962.

  
JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
General Counsel

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 11, 1962

DOCKET MAILED

Date 10-4-62

Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District III  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Re: Well Plugging - Great American  
Oil Company, Rio Arriba County,  
New Mexico

Dear Al:

Thank you for your letter of September 7, 1962.

We tentatively plan to docket the case for the October  
10th examiner hearing. We will keep you further advised.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney

JMD/esr

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 28, 1962

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Mr. Emery Arnold  
District Supervisor  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company and  
M. J. Florance Well Plugging  
Rio Arriba and San Juan Counties,  
New Mexico

Dear Emery:

As we discussed over the telephone, we have docketed the Great American Oil Company plugging case and the M. J. Florance plugging case for the October regular hearing in Farmington.

The Great American Oil Company case involves the following wells in Rio Arriba County: John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East; John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East; and the John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East. The M. J. Florance case involves the M. J. Florance Pooled Unit Well No. 1 located in Section 8, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County. Of course, I will need either you or Al to testify concerning these wells.

Please discuss this matter and I will get together with you when we arrive in Farmington and go over the cases prior to the hearing.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Attorney

JMD/esr

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SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

September 7, 1962

Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P.O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company  
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Durrett:

We have not been contacted by subject operator as required by your letter of August 3, 1962, relative to well plugging.

We are prepared to proceed with a hearing wherein the operator may appear and show cause why the wells should not be properly plugged and abandoned.

Please docket such a case when the schedule permits.

Yours very truly:

*A. R. Kendrick*  
A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

cc: Great American Oil Co.  
107 Washington SE, Albuquerque, N.M.

U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co.  
301 San Mateo SE, Albuquerque, N.M.

Paul Billingham, Inc.  
2929 Monte Vista NE, Albuquerque, N.M.

DOCKET MAILED

Date 10-4-62



**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

August 3, 1962

C  
Great American Oil Company  
107 Washington, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. William J. Stafford

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United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
301 San Mateo, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers

Re: Well Plugging, Rio Arriba  
County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Y Pursuant to information furnished us by Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, District 3, Oil Conservation Commission in Aztec, New Mexico, we hereby make demand upon you to properly plug the following wells located in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the Commission Rules and Regulations:

- (1) John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, M & B Survey. Mr. Kendrick advises that in accordance with a conference in his office on June 26, 1961, this well was to be plugged on or before August 25, 1961. We have received no reports concerning this well since this office conference.
- (2) John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, M & B Survey. We have received no reports

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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August 3, 1962

Great American Oil Company

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company

concerning this well since August 8, 1961.  
Mr. Kendrick advises that he attempted to measure wellhead pressure on a field inspection conducted July 25, 1962, and that the pressure was zero.

- (3) John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 1980 feet from the West line and 2380 feet from the South line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, M & B Survey. The last form received by this office concerning this well was Notice of Intention to Drill, received April 10, 1961. Mr. Kendrick advises that this location is very junky, pits are open, and there apparently has been no operation for a considerable length of time.

Unless the above wells are satisfactorily plugged on or before September 3, 1962, the Commission will be forced to enter an order to show cause why the wells should not be plugged and take other appropriate legal action to assure plugging the same.

Mr. Kendrick must be contacted for an appropriate plugging program for each well and must be given an opportunity to witness the plugging of each well as it is being accomplished.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,  
Special Assistant Attorney General

JMD/ear

cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District 3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Asteo, New Mexico

Paul Billingham, Inc.  
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SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC

July 27, 1962

Mr. A. L. Porter  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company  
operations in the Chama Area

Dear Mr. Porter:

We are ready to call a case for the above captioned operator to show cause why their three wells should not be properly plugged and abandoned.

The attached copies of letters should cover all correspondence since the summary letter of January 30, 1961, except a letter from the operator requesting forms about March 1, 1962. (We have not received the reports).

The weather will probably be adverse to operations in late September but usually is not too bad from late October to Mid-December.

Yours very truly,

  
A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

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Encls.

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*February 20, 1962*

*Mr. William J. Stafford  
Great American Oil Company  
3205 Central Avenue NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico*

*Dear Mr. Stafford:*

*We have not received reports of your operations on the  
following wells:*

*Sargent Estate #1:*

*We have not received a copy of any potential  
test as requested. We have not received a  
subsequent report of fracture treatments as  
approved April 10, 1961.*

*Sargent Estate #3:*

*No report of drilling or casing as accomplished.*

*Sargent Estate #5:*

*No report of plugging operations as agreed  
at a conference in this office June 26, 1961.*

*All above mentioned reports should be submitted at an early date  
to avoid possible shut-down orders.*

*Yours very truly*

*ARK:ks*

*A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3*

*cc: Oil Conservation Commission*

WILLIAM J. STAFFORD  
President

JAMES E. CASTER  
Exec. Secretary

# Great American Oil Company

3205 CENTRAL AVE., NE  
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO  
ALPINE 5-2120

October 26, 1961

Mr. Emory Arnold  
State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
P.O. Box 617  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

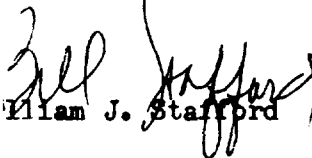
Dear Emory:

As usual, we have been very slow in keeping you up to date, but we are drilling ahead approximately 755 feet on our John Sargent Estate Well No. 3. We intend to move on the old hole once we get through with this one.

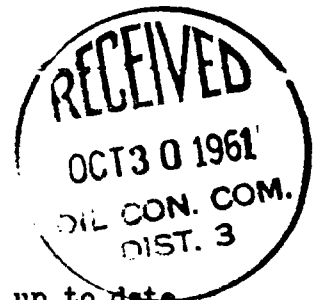
We have had more hard luck, more bad rains and more crazy things happen than I have ever seen since we have been drilling wells.

I appreciate very much your patience and I will try to take care of this as quickly as possible.

Yours very truly,

  
William J. Stafford

WJS:hg



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 13, 1961

Mr. Emery Arnold  
District Supervisor  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Dear Emery:

Please furnish me with some information on the status of certain wells in your District so that I can dispose of the well files that have accumulated on my desk.

I am holding, for Al's instruction, the well file on the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, Unit K, Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Rio Arriba County.

I am also holding the well file on the Hugh McMillan Clinkenbeard Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 of Section 12, Township 24 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County. Please let me know whether this well was drilled or whether the location was abandoned. If the well was drilled, please let me have a plugging program.

Also please advise whether the Tidal Oil Company H. F. McKay Well No. 1, Unit N, Section 14, Township 24 North, Range 2 West, Rio Arriba County, has been plugged. If not, please furnish me with a plugging program.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD S. MORRIS  
Attorney

RSM/esr

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*June 27, 1961*

*Great American Oil Company  
3205 Central Ave. NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico*

*Re: Operating Agreement*

*Gentlemen:*

*Our understanding of the results of the meeting in our office  
on June 26, 1961 are as follows:*

- 1. Great American is to drill its #3 John Sargent Estate well  
immediately, and*
- 2. Upon completion of well #3 to proceed to complete or per-  
manently plug and abandon well #5; in any regard well #5 shall  
be completed or plugged on or before August 25, 1961.*

*Yours very truly*

*Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3*

*BCA:ks*

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**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

April 13, 1961

Great American Oil Company  
3205 Central Avenue NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. W. J. Stafford, President

Dear Sir:

We have received Form C-101, Notice of Intention to Drill, for the #3 John Sargent Estate well, along with several delinquent reports for other operations of your Company in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The #1 and #5 John Sargent Estate wells have been temporarily abandoned in excess of the 60-day period provided by Rule 202. These wells should be completed either as producible wells or plugged and abandoned prior to June 15, 1961, to avoid possible legal action.

Upon proper notification of completion of the above mentioned #1 and #5 wells the Forms C-101 for the #3 John Sargent Estate well will be approved subject to the following provision: The location as shown (2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32 Township 1 North, Range 2 East, N & B Survey) is not a standard location and production cannot be approved until after notice and hearing for approval of the non-standard location. Drilling operations for the #3 well shall remain suspended until Form C-101 is approved.

If we may be of further service, please contact us.

Yours very truly

ARK:ks

A. H. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

cc: Mr. A. L. Porter  
OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

Mr. Richard Morris  
OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.



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ALPINE 5-2120  
April 7, 1961

Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company  
#3 John Sargent Estate  
K-32-1 N-2E M&B Survey

Dear A. R.:

Please find enclosed the corrected Notice of Intention to Drill, Form C-101. Perhaps we might be better off to drill it in T2N. Anyway, those bastard locations give me as much trouble as they do you and I greatly appreciate your kind assistance and interest.

Other forms and reports enclosed herewith are:

#1 John Sargent Estate:  
C-103, Report of re-entry and/or remedial action  
C-105, Well Records

#2 John Sargent Estate:  
C-105, Well Records

#3 John Sargent Estate:  
C-128, Well location (corrected)  
C-101, Notice of Intention to Drill

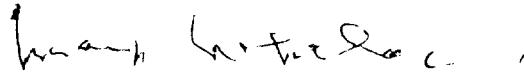
#5 John Sargent Estate:  
C-105, Well Records



The C-103 form has not been filed on #5 because we have not been able to get a rig on the location as yet. As you know, the former owners of that well drilled it, abandoned it, refused to plug it, and left the state. It had stood abandoned for almost a year before we took it over. The winter weather delayed any operations on the well after our ownership was approved by your office. The well was left full of high viscosity mud and since it has already stood 16 months, we do not anticipate any trouble. If we should encounter any difficulty, we will plug it and drill a twin well. Since the weather is like it is, we expect to move on the well site within 45 days with your permission.

May we hear from you at your convenience.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mark Whelan". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

MARK WHELAN  
Geophysicist  
Great American Oil Company

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6 enclosures and copies