

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. DRAWER DD - ARTESIA 88210

September 27, 1972

GOVERNOR BRUCE KING CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER ALEX J. ARMIJO MEMBER

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

Mercury Production Company 809 Fort Worth National Bank Building Fort Worth, Texas 76102

> Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-20E Chaves County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

On September 26, 1972, a reinspection was made of the site of the subject plugged and abandoned well. Said inspection revealed the following items which require correction before the plugging report may be approved.

Pits not levelled
Deadmen must be cut and covered ...

Please notify this office when the work has been completed so that we may reinspect the location.

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Thank you.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Alan A. Mernis

L. A. Mermis Oil & Gas Inspector

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. DRAWER DD - ARTESIA 88210

March 22, 1973

GOVERNOR BRUCE KING CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER ALEX J. ARMIJO MEMBER

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

Mercury Production Company 809 Fort Worth National Bank Building Fort Worth, Texas 76102

> Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-26E Chaves County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

On March 21, 1973, an inspection was made of the site of the subject plugged and abandoned well. Said inspection revealed the following items which require correction before the plugging report may be approved.

1. Pit still open

2. Deadmen not cut off at ground level

Please notify this office when the work has been done so that we may reinspect the location.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Lelan A. Mermis Oil & Gas Inspector

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. DRAWER DD - ARTESIA 88210

June 18, 1973

I. R. TRUJILLO CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER ALEX J. ARMIJO MEMBER

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

Mr. Paul Slayton 2827 N. Sycamore Roswell, N. M. 88201

> Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-26E Chaves County, N.M.

Dear Sir:

A reinspection was made recently on the subject plugged and abandoned well. Said inspection revealed the following items which require correction before the plugging report may be approved:

1. Pit still open.

2. Deadmen not cut off at ground level.

Please notify this office when the work has been done so that we may reinspect the location.

Sincerely yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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## MERCURY PRODUCTION COMPANY FORT WORTH NATIONAL BANK BUILDING FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76102 336-4753

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March 26, 1973

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Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-26E Chaves County, New Mexico

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico P. O. Drawer DD Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attention: Mr. Lelan A. Mermis

Gentlemen:

Effective December 20, 1972, Mercury Production Company sold all of its title and interest in the subject well to Mr. Paul Slayton of Roswell, New Mexico. A part of our sales agreement was Mr. Slayton's obligation to assume responsibility for satisfying Conservation Commission requirements concerning this and the other wells which he purchased.

We are therefore forwarding a copy of this letter with your letter attached so that Mr. Slayton can handle the matter.

Very truly yours,

MERCURY PRODUCTION COMPANY

Frank Darden

FD:kbt

cc: Mr. Paul Slayton Security National Bank Bldg. Roswell, New Mexico

FRANK DARDEN



STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. DRAWER DD - ARTESIA 88210

December 11, 1973

I. R. TRUJILLO CHAIRMAN

ALEX J. ARMIJO MEMBER

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

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Mercury Production Company 809 Fort Worth Nat'l Bank Bldg. Fort Worth, Texas 76102

> Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-26E Chaves County, N. M.

#### Gentlemen:

A reinspection was made recently on the subject plugged and abandoned well. Said inspection revealed the following items still need and require immediate correction before the plugging report may be approved:

- 1. Pit still open.
- 2. Deadmen not cut off at ground level.
- 3. Junk

Please give this matter your immediate attention since it will be reinspected before January 11, 1974; and if location has not been cleaned, it will be turned over to our attorney in Santa Fe for further handling.

Sincerely yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Salan A. Mermis

L. A. Mermis Oil & Gas Inspector

LAM/ep XC/ Mr. Wm. Carr Santa Fe, N. M.

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FRANK DARDEN

December 13, 1973

O. C. C. ARTESIA, OFFICE

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Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-26E Chaves County, New Mexico

Mr. L. A. Mermis Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico P. O. Drawer DD Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Dear Mr. Mermis:

In reference to your letter of December 11, 1973 concerning the above captioned subject, this property was sold to Mr. Paul Slayton of Roswell, New Mexico two years ago. We have forwarded all correspondence concerning the above property to Mr. Slayton that we have received in this office since he purchased our New Mexico properties.

We are again, by copy of this letter, along with a copy of your letter of December 11, 1973, asking Mr. Slayton to please take care of the necessary requirements in order for the plugging report on the above well to be approved.

Very truly yours,

MERCURY PRODUCTION COMPANY

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(Mrs.) Karen Turner Secretary

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cc: Mr. Paul Slayton Security National Bank Bldg. Roswell, New Mexico

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. DRAWER DD - ARTESIA 88210

April 29, 1974

Mr. William Carr Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Mercury State #1-E Sec. 27-10S-26E, Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Carr:

The subject plugged and abandoned well site was inspected again on April, 24, 1974, and revealed the situation unchanged.

We are sending you copies of letters and correspondence sent to and received from the operator.

We will appreciate your efforts in this matter.

Thanking you I am.

Sincerely yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Lelan A. Mermis Oil & Gas Inspector

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I. R. TRUJILLO CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER ALEX J. ARMIJO MEMBER

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

## OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

May 2, 1974

Mercury Production Company Fort Worth National Bank Building Fort Worth, Texas 76102

> Ra: Mercury State #1-E Vell Sec. 27, T-10-S, R-26-E Chaves County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

The problem the Artesia district office of the Commission has had with the plugging and abandonment of the above-captioned well has been referred to ma.

Correspondence on file in the Santa Fe office indicates that the Commission has inspected this well site on at least six different occasions during 1972 and 1973 and informed you that pits must be leveled and deadman must be cut and covered at this location before the plugging report may be approved. This location was last inspected on April 24, 1974. At that time the situation remained unchanged.

I am also aware that you have written the Commission concerning a sale of this property to Hr. Paul Slayton of Roswell and stated that he had assumed responsibility for satisfying Oil Conservation Commission requirements concerning this well.

Coumission files reflect that Mercury Production Company, not Mr. Slayton, owns the well in question. Any agreement you may have with Mr. Slayton runs between the two of you. It does not operate to exempt you from complying with Commission rules and regulations.

The Commission has been extremely patient in allowing you time to clean up this well site. If, however, the site is not cleaned up to the satisfaction of Mr. Lelan A. Mermis, Oil and Gas Inspector in the Artesia office of the Commission, by June 1, 1974, further action will be taken on that date.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR General Counsel

WFC/dr

MERCURY PRODUCTION COMPANY

Suite 1212 Ridglea Bank Bldg. Fort Worth, Texas 76116 731-8606

FRANK DARDEN

May 8, 1974

Subject: Mercury State #1-E Well Sec. 27, T-10-S, R-26-E Chaves County, New Mexico

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. William F. Carr General Counsel

Gentlemen:

In reference to your letter of May 2, 1974, I have been in recent telephone conversation with Mr. Paul Slayton of Roswell, who has owned and operated the subject property since January, 1973. He has assured me that he will go forward with doing whatever is necessary to satisfy the Oil Conservation Commission's requirements concerning the subject well.

Mercury Production Company has never attempted to avoid complying with any rules or regulations of the Commission of the State of New Mexico but feels that the Commission should be making the demands of the operator of this lease. I am forwarding a copy of this letter to Mr. Slayton on this date and I feel sure that he will take care of this matter.

Very truly yours,

MERCURY PRODUCTION COMPANY

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Erank Darden, President

FD:kh

cc: Mr. Paul Slayton Security National Bank Roswell, New Mexico 88201

## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### FIELD TRIP REPORT

DATE 6-12-74

Name	of Employee	Lelan A. Mermis		
Time	of Departure	8:30 a.m.	Time of Return	<u>4:30 p.m.</u>
Miles	Travelled	224		

In the space below please indicate purpose of trip and duties performed, listing wells or leases visited.

Field inspection, checked the following:

Mercury Prod., Mercury St. #1, 27-10-26, for final P&A, not ready. The have refused to clean up this location even after a letter from Bill Carr.

W.E.Medlock Queen Ridge #1, 36-10-26, shut-in. No information in well file on this well.

Jack F. Grimm, J.P.White #2 for P&A, not ready.

Spot checked Paul Slayton tank battery in Coyote Queen, O.K.

Amoco Production Co. State CF #4, 13-11-27, O.K.

Plains Radio Broadcasting Co., LE Ranch 7 #1, 7-11-28, LE Ranch 9 #1, 9-11-28, LE Ranch 16 #2, 16-11-28, O.K.

Employee's Signature District #II

Memo Jo Bill Can Ihis will take Care Z Case I 304. From W. A. GRESSETT Supervisor Bill.

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DISTRIBUTION	RECEIVED	Supersedes Old C-102 and C-103				
SANTA FE	NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	Effective 1-1-65				
FILE	JAN 2 6 1972					
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LAND OFFICE		State X Fee				
OPERATOR	C.C.	5. State Oil & Gas Lease No.				
	ARTESIA, DEFICE	К-5739				
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1.		7. Unit Agreement Name				
OIL GAB WELL	OTHER. Dry Hole					
2. Name of Operator	8. Farm or Lease Name					
MERCURY PRODUCTION	Mercury State					
3, Address of Operator	9. Well No.					
809 Ft Worth Nat'						
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17. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work) SEE RULE (1903.

As per instructions of Mr. W. A. Gressett, the subject well was plugged and abandoned on August 31, 1971, as follows:

20 sack plug at top of perforations 30 sack plug at sub of 4½" casing (4005' of casing recovered) 30 sack plug at 3540'-3640' 30 sack plug at 2100'-2200' 30 sack plug at 1120'-1220' 10 sack plug at surface w/marker

Intervals between filled with heavy mud.

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

SIGNED_ Frank Nardin	President	DATE1-24-72
APPROVED BY Keton Mermis	OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR	DATE 9-30-74