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Bennett Petroleum Corporation
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Re: Phelps Dodge Well No. 5
P-24-T-28N, R-20E
Colfax County, NM

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Copies of your June 15th letter to Phelps Dodge and that company's reply of June 16th, last, have been received at this office. Apparently a decision has been made to plug the subject well.

The last report, relative to this operation, which has been filed here is the Completion Report (C-105) dated March 24, 1980. It is my understanding that, since this report was submitted, additional work was done on the bore-hole.

On August 28, 1980, a Gustin Drilling Company was operating a drilling rig at the described location. This re-entry or workover was supposedly underway for the account of a Cougar Petroleum Company and for the purpose of re-cementing the 5 1/2" production casing. To date, we have received no reports concerning that operation, but rumors are that the casing was cleaned out and re-cemented. Obviously such a development could have a bearing on an acceptable plugging program. Please refer to your letter, dated November 28, 1980, to the undersigned, and to the plugging proposal developed by your agent, Mr. Smink, approximately one month later.

In the interest of facilitating the plugging for abandonment of this well, the following information is tendered without recommendations: Chalfont Oil & Gas Company is operating at a site approximately nine miles northeast of the subject location. Their drilling contractors have been Sioux and Antelope Drilling. Chalfont is presently waiting on a workover unit to attempt gas well completions.

Kindly advise your proposed program for the subject well and the prognosticated date for same.

Very truly yours,

CARL ULVOG
District IV Supervisor

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