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Oil Conservation Commission
Artesia, New Mexico

Re: Gorman Federal #1
NE NE Sec.27 T10S R25E
Bitter Lakes Field
Chavez Co., N.M.

Gentlemen:

I need help to file proper reports on production from this well. It was fraced in late November and we have had unmitigated hell with it ever since; caught in the snow storm, motor wouldn't run on well gas, couldn't get butane into location; yo-yoing tubing and rods in and out replacing pumps, etc.

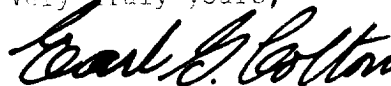
The first pumper kept no records of value, our present pumper is slightly better, but has no record of water produced or drained off gun barrel. Says the gas engine dies every night and that the "shrinkage" in the oil makes guaging difficult.

I am personally of the opinion that we are losing oil and frankly propose to investigate it, but meantime what to do?

Our run tickets don't "gee" with McWood's reports. I have written to McWood for clarification.

We will be drilling a second well there around the 15th of this month. Will it be agreeable for me to bring our pumper to Artesia and get the records straightened out? I am embarassed over this, but good oil field help is scarce in Roswell. I do hope this program will be agreeable.

Very truly yours,



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