## STATE OF NEW MEXICO



## ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION ARTESIA DISTRICT OFFICE

JENNIFER SALISBURY CABINET SECRETARY

March 22, 1995

Mr. James E. Sealy P.O. Box 804 Hobbs, NM 88240

Re: Properly Abandoned Wells

Rule 201 A. states that the operator of any well drilled for oil, gas or injection, for seismic, core or other exploration, or for a service well, whether cased or uncased, shall be responsible for the plugging thereof.

Rule 201 B. states a well shall be either properly plugged and abandoned or temporarily abandoned in accordance with these rules within 90 days after (1.) A 60 day period following suspension of drilling (2.) A determination that the well is no longer usable for beneficial purposes (3.) A period of 1 year in which a well has been continuously inactive.

The Deanie Lou Ring #1 well in Ut. C-32-6-26 was temporarily abandoned in August 1983 and to date this well has not been abandoned in accordance with the above rules.

Please file with this office by May 1, 1995 a plan to plug and abandon this well.

Your Truly,

Ray Smith Field Rep II