



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Vintage Petroleum, Inc.  
110 West 7<sup>th</sup>, Suite 2300  
Tulsa, OK 74119  
Attn: Jim Miller

**RE: Thompson Canyon Ranch Well No. 1, located in Unit O of Section 31,  
Township 4 South, Range 23 East, Chaves County, NM, NMPM**

Dear Jim Miller or to whom it May Concern,

In regards to the above referenced well, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) has yet to receive any regulatory information on said well after this office approved your drilling application back in July of 2000. As you may recall, I phoned your office and requested the following information on 7/23/01. This information would include a full set of electric logs required by NMOCD Rule 1105, a notarized well deviation report required by NMOCD Rule 111, all subsequent reports to be filed on Form C-103 required by NMOCD Rule 1103, a well completion report to be filed on Form C-105 required by NMOCD Rule 1105 and any other well information which is required under our rules and regulations. In order to bring this well into compliance, the NMOCD must have all regulatory reports submitted in detail no later than November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2001.

Furthermore, upon inspection of said well and its location, it was discovered that the well bore was abandoned and not properly plugged according to NMOCD Rules and Regulations, which are covered by Rules 103, 202 and 1103. Vintage Petroleum, Inc. is to submit to this office a proper plugging procedure no later than November 13<sup>th</sup> and have said well plugged within 90 days of this letter. The NMOCD encourages Vintage Petroleum, Inc. to address this matter as soon as possible in order to avoid any civil actions and penalties, which may be levied. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Respectively yours,

Bryan G. Arrant  
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NMOCD-District II

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