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March 17, 1972

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Drawer "D" Artesia, New Mexico 88210

> Re: No. 1 West Dog Canyon Unit Sec. 18 - 25S - 20E Otero County, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. W. A. Gressett, Supervisor, District II

Dear Mr. Gressett:

Enclosed is Form 103 in triplicate covering the three stage plug-back to straighten crooked hole @ 1065' and the setting and testing of 9 5/8" casing at 2337'.

Also in triplicate is the same form covering the setting of two 50~sack cement plugs to separate fresh water zones encountered between 2659' and total depth of 4560'.

Enclosed with the above reports is a copy of a letter to the Commissioner of Public Lands, Santa Fe, New Mexico requesting approval of the work done to date. This letter suggests some possible additional work we may wish to do before actually turning the well over to the ranchers for use as fresh water well.

In connection with the preceeding paragraph, would there be any problems, as far as your office is concerned, in letting the well set as it is for a short time, possibly for as long as several weeks, while we determine and do the last thing to be done before the well is turned over to the ranchers, (assuming it produces no oil or gas)?

It would be appreciated in connection with all information on this well, if your office would hold this information confidential for the present and as long as possible unless we advise you to the contrary.

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Would you please send us twenty-four (24) blank copies of Form 103 and a dozen (12) copies of blank Form 105.

Your further advice concerning this hole will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

W. W. West, Unit Operator West Dog Canyon Unit Otero County, New Mexico

Enclosures: WWW/vt