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July 20, 1994

Mr. Rand Carroll, Attorney
Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088Re: W. J. Conover
J. M. Lewelling #1, Unit Ltr. D
Section 12, T-12S, R-9E

Dear Mr. Carroll:

On March 30, 1993 a plugging procedure and estimated costs were submitted to Mr. Stoval for use in obtaining bids to plug this well with Oil and Gas Reclamation Funds.

We discussed this well with you a few weeks ago and determined that we should write to Mr. Conover and request compliance. We did this and the letter has now been returned to us marked "F.O.E." by the post office.

We are submitting the following information for your use in scheduling a show cause hearing and obtaining an order authorizing plugging.

1. Form C-104 showing the last operator is attached.
2. Correspondence to the operator requesting compliance, returned to us by the post office, is attached.
Note that the correspondence was sent to an Oklahoma address instead of the New Mexico address. Our file indicates this is a newer address. We called the New Mexico phone number shown on the C-104 and found that the number is no longer in service.
3. The well could be a threat to water and hydrocarbon resources in the area if not properly plugged.
4. Diane says there is a \$10,000 single well bond on the well which is still active.
5. Plugging procedures and cost were submitted on March 30, 1993 along with a list of contractors.

Please let us know if more information is needed.

Very Truly Yours,

Ray Smith, Oil & Gas Inspector

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