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ARTESIA OFFICE

Union Oil Company of California
P. O. Box 671
Bakersfield, CA 93311

Re: Denial:

Our office is in receipt of your application for permit to drill well No. 1 Federal 22 in Pt. 13600 of Sec. 10, T. 14 N., R. 20 E., Sandoz County, New Mexico, Lease 4-4350, to a depth of 1500 feet to test the Artesian formation.

However, the aforementioned well location is within one mile of current line workings and also within the three year plan for mining of oil. We are therefore unable to approve your application for Permit to Drill Well No. 1 Federal 22 and your application is hereby denied. Federal Lease 4-4350 will remain in suspension.

Pursuant to 43 CFR Part 4.410, you have a right to appeal this decision to the Interior Board of Land Appeals.

All copies of your application are being returned herewith.

Sincerely,

Orig. Sgd. Francis R. Cherry, Jr.

Francis R. Cherry, Jr.
District Manager

1 Enclosure

cc:

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