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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

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GARREY CARRUTHERS

Mr. Robert R. Ranck El Ran, Inc. P.O. Box 911 Lubbock, TX 79408

Re: Byron Well #1-P Section 34, T7S, R32E Roosevelt County, NM

Dear Bill:

When you and I talked on the phone I misunderstood where the BP was set on the Byron Well #1 when it was plugged. I thought the BP was just above the perforations instead of 2000 feet and therefore cannot exempt repair of the well as it now stands.

You really have three options and they are as follows:

- 1) Re-enter well and set plug at approximately 4000 feet.
- Drill a producer next to well and create a pressure sink in the area of the Byron #1 which would prevent migration of fluid out of zone.
- 3) Reduce injection area so no injection is occurring within onehalf mile of the Byron #1.

At the time the well was plugged there was no injection in the area and migration of fluid out of the zone would not have been a problem, even though the bottom plug was some 2000' above perforations. UIC regulations do not look at this as a properly plugged well if it is located in close proximity to a waterflood.

If you have any additional ideas on plugging the well or want more information, let me know and we can set up a meeting or discuss it on the phone.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Jerry Sexton Supervisor, District I

JS/ed

El Ran, Inc.

1113 Main Street Lubbock, Texas 79408

805/763-4091

P.O. Box 911

July 14, 1988

Jerry Sexton Oil & Gas Conservation Commission District I P.O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

> RE: El Ran, Inc's Waterflood Project Case No. 9358 Order No. R-7044-A Chaves & Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico Byron Lease Well No. 1

Dear Mr. Sexton,

El Ran, Inc. request that the Oil Conservation Commission exempt its Byron Well No. 1 in regards to the above referenced order.

The Byron Well No. 1 was originally completed as follows:

- 12/02/77 8 5/8" 24# casing was set at 310' and cemented with 250 sacks.
- 12/20/77 4 1/2" 9.5# casing was set at 4372' and cemented with 125 sacks.
- 06/13/78 Go cast iron bridge plug was set at 1940' with 15 sacks of cement but never got circulation at surface.
- 06/14/88 Re-entered well and found casing had collasped at 1410'. Spent six days trying to re-enter casing but never could tie back onto bottom section.
- 06/20/78 Received permission to plug and abandon well.

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06/21/78 Set 15 sack plug at 1410' with 10 sack plug at surface with plate welded on casing. Well Plugged and Abandoned.

Please advise if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

EL RAN, INC.

Robert R Ranch

Robert R. Ranck Vice-President

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Casing collapsed at 1410', and we were unable to re-enter casing. We had to plug well. A 100' plug, 15 sacks, was set via tubing at 1410' on 6-21-78. A 10 sack plug was placed at the surface and well marked. 15# mud was used for displacement. Approval to plug was made by Jerry Sexton 6-20-78.

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4 1/2" bridge plu was set at 1940'. Perforated with three holes at 1930. 450 sks were squeezed at 1930. Halliburton Co was cementing company. Approx top of cement 200' from surface. Casing collapsed due to having to cement the casing may loose well.

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8 5/8 casing was set at 310° and cemented with 250 sks. cement. Cement was circulated to surface and 24 hrs. were allowed for cement to set. 1000% pressure ded not drop in 30 mir. Wt. of pipe was 20%h-40. $4\frac{1}{2}$ °casing was set at 4371 and cemented with 125 sks. of 50-50 pos. wt. of pipe 9.5 j=55 Notice will be sent when we perforate oil string and cement to surface.

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