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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter Secretary Director

> Re: State Lease "B" Well #3 State of New Mexico Lease #-E-9116 Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This is to refer to your letter of December 20, 1956 in which you approved an unorthordox well location for our State "B" Well #3 location under administrative order NSL-76. The third paragraph of this letter advises that we must also obtain a like approval from the U. S. Geological Survey for this location.

This letter is written to confirm our telephone conversation of today in which you advised that your assistant was under the opinion that some federal land was involved in this lease. Since no federal land is involved in this lease it is now understood that no approval from the U. S. Geological Survey is necessary.

Very truly yours

Winston G. Smith Division Engineer

WGS/bb cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Hobbs, New Mexico AUSTRAL OIL EXPLORATION COMPANY

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