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RE: Caudill State # 1

Unit Letter K, Section 26, T15S, R36E

Caudill State # 2

Unit Letter B, Section 26, T15S, R36E

A review of our records and recent inspections show that the above referenced wells have been shut in for an extended period of time. Order R-9210 states that an operator can not leave a well shut in longer than a year. The following options are available for the future of the above well.

1. Restore the wells to service.
2. Set plug, conduct mechanical integrity test, and request temporary abandoned status.
3. Submit a proposal to plug and abandon the wells, proceed with plugging on a timely basis after the proposal has been evaluated, amended and or approved.

To avoid further action, we request that you exercise on of the above options no later January 12, 2001. We request that you notify this office 24 hours prior to any operation in order to witness the operation, either repair or plugging and pressure test upon completion of repairs or to request TA status. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to the NMOCD attorney in Santa Fe to schedule a Show Cause Hearing for the above 2 wells to be plugged.

Very truly yours

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