

Chris Williams/NMOCD
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We have enclosed a copy of a letter which was sent via facsimile to the offset operator south of our location. Without his protest, we would appreciate your consideration of our request administratively.

We recognize and regret the timing of our application, affected by rig availability, and are striving to supply you with the proper information in a more timely manner. Thank you for your patience and consideration.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MH" followed by a stylized flourish.

Mike Hazlip

Robert Hefner