STATE OF NEW MEXICO



## ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION** HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

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November 16, 1992

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Texaco Exploration & Production Inc. P.O. Box 3109 Midland, TX 79702

Attn: Wade Howard

RE: L. Van Etten #13-K Sec. 9, T205, R37E

Gentlemen:

We have approved the sale of the test oil from the above-referenced well.

However, a closer review of your completion interval 7782--7796 indicates the well is completed in a producing interval that comes under the CASS PENN POOL since it is within 3/4 mile of that pool boundary. The Cass Penn Pool has 80-acre spacing with a standard well location being within 150 feet of the center of either quarter/quarter section.

The allowable for the Cass Penn Pool is (267 BOPD). A completion in the Cass Penn Pool will require approval of the unorthodox location since it is more than 150 feet of the center of a quater/quarter section.

Your proposed Monument Tubb completion was on 80 acre spacing but a standard well location for that pool was no nearer than 330 feet to a quarter/quarter line so therefore the mixup occurred.

I believe you had thought a completion in the Strawn would qualify as a wildcat and if you can substantiate the separation of your well from the Cass Penn Pool then it may still qualify for a wildcat Strawn.

Please submit an 80-acre plat for the Cass Penn Pool with your completion reports.

We apologize for the problems caused by this mixup.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Jerry Sexton Supervisor, District 1

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