

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION

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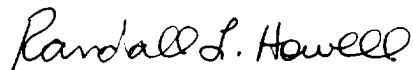
Re: Unorthodox Oil Well Location for the Langlie
Mattix Woolworth Unit WSW No. 9

Dear Sir:

Amerada Hess Corporation is requesting approval for an unorthodox Queen oil well location 135 feet from the East line and 1330 feet from the South line of Sec. 28, T-24-S, R-37-E, Lea County, in accordance with administrative order R-2197, March 14, 1962 as amended by order number R-3704, March 12, 1969, and order number R-2197-A, September 17, 1969. The SE/4 NE/4 SE/4 of Sec. 33 is to be dedicated to the well. Copies of form C-101, C-102 and a location map have been attached for your convenience.

The well is to be re-competed to gain further reservoir information about the Queen formation to upgrade the units' waterflood recovery efficiency. Offset operators have been furnished a copy of this application by registered mail. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Randall L. Howell
Petroleum Engineer

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