

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

## **DIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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Gentlemen:

The Oil Conservation Division has for some time been concerned about temporarily abandoned wells in the State and recently it was decided to pick at random a Township in District I to evaluate this problem. The Township selected for evaluating temporarily abandoned wells was Township 24 South in Lea County, New Mexico.

Included in the study area are the following well/wells that you operate:

Well Name	No.	Unit	S - T - R	Pool .
New Mexico "AB" St.	1	Н	16-24-37	Fowler Ellen Burger
J.A.E. Knight	3	J	23-24-37	Fowler Devonian

Please advise as to your plans for each of the above wells, along with the time frame in which these plans are to be executed. This notification should be made on Form C-103 for state and fee wells; for federal wells, Form 9-331 should be submitted to the Minerals Management Service with a copy to this office.

The Division has set a few general guidelines as to what proposed plans will be acceptable. They are as follows:

- 1. Return well to production
- 2. Workover of well
- 3. Plug and abandonment of well
- 4. Request to Division Director for extension of temporarily abandoned status

This information should be submitted to the District I office of the OCD by September, 15, 1982.

Yours very truly,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Jerry Sexton Supervisor, District 1