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April 26, 1965

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico

> Re: Application To Drill 25 "A" Unit #1 Lea County, New Mexico.

Attention: Mr. Joe Ramey

Dear Mr. Ramey:

We are in receipt of your approved application to drill our subject well in Section 25, T-24-S, R-36-E, Lea County, New Mexico. Your requirements for cementing the production string of casing from 13,000 feet back up to 4200 feet with sufficiant cement to cover this interval seems to be an excess of what other wells in the county have required. We are not familiar with your cement requirements in this area and wonder if it is absolutely necessary to use such a large volume of cement for the production string of casing. Should $5\frac{1}{2}$ inch casing be run into the 8 3/4 inch hole, we would be faced with an extremely large volume and expensive cement operation and wonder if there is any way to receive a permit to bring the cement top in the neighborhood of 10,000 feet or 3000 feet of coverage.

We would certainly appreciate your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

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