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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY P. 0. Box 1157 Hobbs, New Mexico 38240

Reading & Bates Petroleum Co. 1100 Mid-Continent Bldg. 409 S. Boston Ave. Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

Gentlemen:

Application to drill your No. 3 Federal well located in NE $\frac{1}{2}$ NW4, sec. 5, T. 23 S., R. 36 E., Lea County, New Mexico, on lease Las Cruces 029864 (b) was approved May 21, 1979. Inasmuch as the approval expired before drilling operations were commenced, our approval of the application is hereby revoked.

If you decide to drill this well at a future date, you should resubmit an Application to Drill for approval.

Sincerely yours,

Jerry W. Long District Supervisor

cc: NMOCD (2) BLM/Carlsbad



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