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October 20, 1960

Mr. William Bush
Bush Drilling Company
190 Hall Avenue,
Grand Junction, Colorado

Dear Mr. Bush:

This is to confirm our phone conversation of October 19, 1960 concerning the wells drilled in Archuleta and LaPlata Counties and also the "test hole" drilled approximately 2 1/2 miles east of Rifle.

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter sent you on July 13th concerning the wells in Archuleta and LaPlata counties. Although approval to drill on Federal leases is necessary from the Geological Survey, it is also necessary to obtain approval from this office. Rule 303 of the Rules and Regulations states that "Before any person shall commence operations for the drilling of any well, such person shall file with..... and must secure the Director's approval before proceeding with such operations!" These rules were made as a result of public hearings in which the Oil and Gas industry participated and advised. They are not rules thought up solely by the State to harass and confuse oil and gas operators, but rules that are the result of joint efforts of both state and industry to help secure the greatest ultimate recovery of oil and gas without waste, and to encourage operations to this end with the most convenience possible.

The various forms required and put on file by this office are used not only for our own purposes but are important to the entire oil and gas industry as a source of information concerning drilling, geological, and production information which any operator may be interested in. As an operator yourself, you can realize how important this information can be when drilling in areas where others have drilled near by.

As to the drilling near Rifle, any drilling contemplated for the purpose of possible gas or oil, regardless of depth, falls within the jurisdiction of this office. The drilling or converting of holes drilled for water wells is within the jurisdiction of the State Engineer's office.

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The drilling of wells in the jurisdiction of the State of Colorado is regulated by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act, Chapter 10, Article 1, of the Colorado Constitution.

No. 202083

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These operations must be conducted in accordance with the regulations required by the proper office. Inasmuch as we are familiar with your company mainly as drillers for possible oil and gas wells, and the fact that you have been delinquent in the past in reporting your operations, we assumed that the drilling near Rifle was for one of the above purposes.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and also a supply of the various forms necessary to submit to this office concerning your wells in Archuleta and LaPlata counties.

Very truly yours,
OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Frank J. Piro, Petroleum Engineer

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