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Dear Mr. Wix,

A review of our records shows the M.V. Smith - Gov #27 was adequately plugged and abandoned.

Our records contain a subsequent report of abandonment indicating the well was filled with shale from TD to near the surface and a cement cap was later placed on top at the surface. The report is dated January 17, 1973.

This is the same manner in which Mancos Shale wells are typically abandoned today.

Since there is no evidence that this well is leaking or that the abandonment was not successful at isolating the producing interval we do not believe there is a reason to re-enter the well and re-plug it. It appears to be adequately plugged.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Sincerely,

James Adkins
Northwest area Engineer