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November 9, 1964

Secretary of State
State of Utah
State Capitol
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Dear Sir:

We have some business regarding the United States Development Corp. which we assume to be a Salt Lake corporation, and we should like to know the status of this organization before proceeding further.

Following are the addresses we have through the year 1961, all in Salt Lake City:

817 Newhouse Building
17 East Oakland
434 South Main

The president was George B. Anderson.

Any information you can give us as to the status of this corporation will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

William R. Smith, Deputy Director

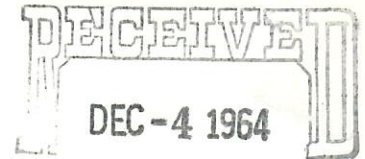
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STATE OF UTAH
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
SALT LAKE CITY

November 30, 1964

LAMONT F. TORONTO
SECRETARY OF STATE
WENDELL L. GOTTRELL
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE



OIL & GAS
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

William R. Smith
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Room 312, State Services Bldg.
1525 Sherman St.
Denver, Colo. 80203

Re: UNITED STATES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Please be advised that the above corporation had its charter suspended
for non-payment of corporate taxes.

3-30-62

Date of suspension _____

Yours very truly,

LAMONT F. TORONTO
SECRETARY OF STATE

By A. J. Atkinson
Clerk

MEMO

December 4, 1964

TO: Mr. D. V. Rogers

FROM: William R. Smith

SUBJECT: Plugging of United States Development Corp.,
Robinson Ranch Banker No. 1 Well

Subject well located 650' north and 400' east of the lines of Lot 10, Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 103 West, Rio Blanco County, has been checked in the field, found not to be plugged and I feel something in this regard should be accomplished.

The last contact with U. S. Development Corporation was in December 1960, at which time they advised the well had been drilled to approximately 1700' and 5½" casing set to 1500' with water encountered all of the way.

The company was written in May 1961, February 1962, June 1962, October 1963 and January 1964.

Field investigation indicates the operator is no longer available, and the Secretary of the State was contacted in Salt Lake City, Utah, and was advised by him that their charter had been suspended 3/30/62. It is my opinion that the company no longer exists, the well should be plugged, and I recommend that Fireman's Fund Insurance Company be contacted to act on their Bond #L-6058176, at an early date.

In reviewing the well file, I think any definite plugging orders should be withheld until the plugging company has had a chance to check T.D., and the possible condition of the 5½" casing. On the surface, it would appear that a cement plug in the bottom of the 5½" casing and in the top with a marker would be sufficient.

Please advise when you want to take further action.

WRS:lf

December 8, 1964

Mr. M. L. Robinson
Artesia, Colorado

Dear Mr. Robinson:

In 1960 the United States Development Corporation filed an intention to, and did, drill a #1 Banker-Robinson Ranch well. Bond was posted on this well to assure that it be properly plugged if it turned out to be a dry hole.

In December of that year, the company advised that they had drilled to a depth of 1700 feet and had set 5½" casing to 1500 feet, after encountering water all of the way. Since that time we have had no additional information from them.

On November 5, 1964, representatives from this office checked the location and found the hole to be standing full of water, slight gas bubbles passing through the water, and determined that the well had not been plugged. It is now our intention to secure the proper plugging of this well by acting on the bond that was posted.

One of the rules of this Commission provides that a well to be plugged which may be safely used as a fresh-water well and which use is desired by the landowner need not be plugged provided that written authority for such use is secured from the landowner, and in such written authority the landowner assumes the responsibility to plug the well upon its abandonment as a water well, in accordance with the rules of this Commission. Of course, it is also necessary to file for a permit with the State Engineer's Office.

With the feeling that this might be of beneficial use to you, we would like to offer the well to you and will make the proper change of ownership in this office if you file a letter, as noted above, by December 21, 1964.

Since I am not sure who is the rancher involved, I have sent this letter to the men listed below. If you have information which would indicate another party should be considered, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

William R. Smith, Deputy Director

WRS:lf

cc: Mr. Wade Robinson, Rangely, Colorado
Mr. Joe Robinson, Piceance Creek, Meeker, Colorado