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THE CALIFORNIA COMPANY

Denver 1, Colorado

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CONSENTS - WEST RANGELY UNIT
Rio Blanco County, Colorado

MR. WOOLSEY H. WALSHE:

Tabulated below is the present status of our work on West Rangely consents:

George A. and Louise Riley Mattern - We have talked to Mr. Mattern several times. He has friends in the Texas Company to whom he has talked concerning this unitization. In a telephone conversation with Mr. Mattern again this morning he stated that he felt very favorable toward this Rangely unitization and felt that he would probably sign the consents, but he still had some questions which had not been clarified in his own mind. He was going on a hunting trip and would be unable to talk to us until his return, which he felt would be a week or ten days from now. At that time he stated we could either visit him at his house again or he would drop by the office in Denver and try to get these matters cleared up with us. We feel that the Mattern interest will be signed up in a matter of a few weeks. Mr. Mattern also several times expressed some irritation at the fact that all the operators had not executed this unit agreement. He asked the specific questions each of the times we talked to him as to which operators had not executed the unit agreement, and also requested we tell him why they had not. This question has been one of the most difficult we have had to answer to the people here in Denver who seem to be much more informed on unitization than we had expected, and we have had some difficult questions to answer as far as the other working interest owners are concerned.

Joe T. Juhan and Denver National Bank - We talked to Mr. Juhan on the telephone October 2, 1954, at which time he stated he had not had an opportunity to examine the Rangely unit agreement and did not desire to talk to us about it until after he had checked over the agreement. He stated at that time he felt he would have this done by October 6. We called back his hotel on October 6 and found he had checked out. We have been checking back every other day since October 6, but find that he has not checked back in. We shall continue trying to contact him through the Cory Hotel and if we are unsuccessful in the next few days will request Mr. J. D. Nance to try his home in Glenwood Springs again.

St. Claire Okie Hayden - The details on this interest are being handled by Mr. John Hayden, the son of the record owner. Mr. Hayden has said that he wanted to check over the unit agreement and compare past receipts with what he would probably get under the allocations made in the unit agreement. We checked back with Mr. Hayden several times, and he has stated that due to pressure of other business he has not completed his study of the unit agreement and its affect on Mrs. Hayden's interest. We shall continue attempting to get an appointment to talk with him and try to clear up any questions he has.

Virginia W. Hill as Individual and Executrix - It appears that the execution of the consents by Virginia W. Hill depends upon the outcome of the examination of this unit agreement by Mr. Stockmar. We checked with Mrs. Hill's office this

We feel that there will be no difficulty in obtaining Judge Clark's commitment and commitment of other interests who are relying on his decision if we can assure him that the other operators have executed this unit agreement. Considering the firm stand that he took on this point and his familiarity with oil matters, we feel that it would be useless and would probably irritate him if we went back and attempted to get his commitment prior to having some additional assurance that this West Rangely Unit will be approved when it is finally submitted to the Geological Survey for final approval.

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