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The Eman Oil Corporation  
OF COLORADO CAPITALIZATION, \$80,000

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Mr. John F. Vivian,  
Registrar, State Board of Land Commissioners,  
Capitol Bldg., Denver.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your request under date of the 20, with reference to our drilling a few miles beyond Watkins, we will be pleased to herewith give you some facts connected with the matter on which you seek information.

Our Corporation has nine quarter sections of land on record in the Adams Co. Court House at Brighton, all of which is located in Town 3<sup>S</sup>, Range 64 of that county.

We have one drill working on the S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 28 and have another outfit on the way from the East, and which we are going to start on the N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the same section. If things at all pan out for us the way we expect, we shall have several drills working by Spring besides these two above mentioned.

Our Geologist, Prof. Kimball, and the writer of this letter, spent all of one year at considerable time and expense in covering many townships in Adams Co. running East of Denver clean to the town of Bennett, and found many places that in themselves are as favorable looking for oil development as some of the best in Wyoming or South of our State, but which were emphatically declared by our Geologist as not worth experimenting upon, for nothing but dry holes would be gotten. We finally selected the quarter sections under lease to us as being the most desirable for taking a chance thereon, and we positively believe that we shall be successful in obtaining oil in marketable quantities.

The writer, who is a member of the Denver as well as the Colorado Mfgr's. Associations, eighteen months ago made up his mind that it was foolish for our Colorado people to send out their savings for investments in other States for purposes of benefiting through oil development, because just a little common sense exercised by any halfway intelligent person, must convince one that the oil North of us, as well as South and East, must also be plentifully found in Colorado if gone after the same.

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We may state however, that when we first broached this subject last February to Denver people, they pooh-poohed our views, and so the writer got his friends in the East in various States and as far South as into California, to join him in furnishing money to start this enterprise, after which we found it less difficult to induce Colorado people to join us also. In this way we gathered in enough money for our purposes without having to go to the expense of bombastic and perhaps also misleading advertising in newspapers. Neither have we ever used brokers or promoters to obtain the money, which naturally is required in a large amount to carry on such an enterprise.

We had written to the Assessor of Adams Co. two different times with reference to School Sec. 16, in this Town 3 and Range 64 where we are at present drilling, and each time were advised that the same was still State Land and had not been sold. On the other hand, in sending one of our men up to your offices at the Capitol requesting information as to this Sec. 16, we were informed that the same had been sold and that the whole section was owned by just two persons. There is according to our Geologist's views, some certain acreage in that section worth while trying out for oil development, and that is the reason why we have been seeking information as to its ownership.

If your Board can advise us with reference to this matter, whether the same is still owned by the State or by others, we will thank you very much for such information. If the same is still owned by the State, it would please us to figure on the matter of leasing and try to begin work on the same by sometime next Summer.

The first drilling that we are doing has a two-fold purpose in view, first, because our Geologist says we will get the oil within 1,500 ft., second, that we are right along the U.P.R.R. tracks and have the sidetrack at Manilla to use for shipping in supplies. So we want to make a showing first where every convenience is had in marketing the oil, which we of course feel hopeful about in obtaining plentifully, and then and thereafter we are ready to launch into other spots in that township further away from railroad service.

Where we are at work now we had to go down for water first to use for the engine power and for the household purposes of the men at work out there. After we had penetrated 100 ft. the first oil seepage was noticed, but after the 200 ft. depth was reached, from thence on down to 350 ft., where we got the water, more

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and more oil showed up, with the consequences that now the water is so oily that it is impossible to use the same for any individual purposes, and is even, according to the drillers, not overly safe to use in the engine, because of their being so much oil in it. We spudded in last Monday night with 10 in. casing going down for oil, and up to yesterday noon were down 50 ft. and expect to be down 100 ft. by Saturday. Then of course the Holidays coming on will delay some.

Trusting that this information will be of some value to you gentlemen of the Land Board, we beg to remain

Yours very truly,



Pres.

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