



STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY  
AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES

702 WOODLARK BUILDING  
PORTLAND 5, OREGON

September 24, 1951

Mr. Harold D. Wolfe, Field Geologist  
P.O. Box 417  
Grants Pass, Oregon

Dear Harold:

Mr. Libbey has handed me the enclosed "Notice of Intention to Drill New Well," with instructions to write you regarding a meeting in Roseburg to discuss the proposed operations and visit the rig-site with Mr. Sullivan, President, and perhaps Mr. Chiles, geologist, of Oil Developers, Inc.

During a telephone conversation a few minutes ago, Mr. Libbey told Mr. Sullivan we would meet him Monday evening, September 24, and arrange to visit the rig-site the following morning. However, the bus schedule shows that I can leave Portland Monday morning at 7:30 o'clock and arrive in Roseburg at 1:00 P.M. Mr. Libbey says you will probably be in Roseburg by 11:00 A.M. Monday, and it is suggested that you contact Mr. Sullivan before my arrival and arrange to transact all of our business with him, including a visit to the rig-site, on Monday afternoon. Perhaps you will want to make these arrangements with him before Monday.

I should like to take a run out to Remote Tuesday morning in the hope of getting a few bug samples along the Coquille River just south of that town while the water is low. This, of course, depends upon your having time to run me around in your car, as I shall not have one with me.

If everything goes according to schedule, I shall return to Portland by bus Tuesday night or, more probably, Wednesday morning.

Please advise as to how this plan fits in with your schedule.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

*"Doc"*

R. E. Stewart  
Geologist

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Harold L Hollis

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August 21, 1951

Mr. H. V. Sullivan  
c/o Umpqua Dairy Products Co., Inc.  
Sykes and Short Streets  
Roseburg, Oregon

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for your letter of August 15 concerned with the geological work which your group has sponsored.

I am sending a copy of this letter to our Mr. Hollis Dole at Grants Pass, who is very much more familiar with geological conditions in Douglas County than I am. Mr. Dole has been doing geological mapping work in southern Douglas County and will be very much interested in inspecting your maps and any other records you make available.

We would wish to do everything possible in working with you and Mr. Stewart could do some examination work on well cuttings but I could not promise that he could examine all of your well cuttings at the time they are obtained. I am afraid that if he undertook such work he would not be able to carry out projects which he has already under way. I would suggest that samples of all cuttings as well as cores be retained and carefully marked so that if any particular horizon became critical we could make such microscopic examination as seemed warranted. I shall be very glad to visit your test when I am able to do so but during the present field season we are very short-handed in Portland and I have been unable to get away as much as I would like.

For your information I am enclosing copy of the law passed by the 1949 legislature governing prospecting and production of oil and gas in this State. I am also enclosing three copies of the form "Notice of Intention to Drill New Well". Please fill out the three copies and return them to this office, where one copy will be approved and returned to you. We will then send you some forms for your use in keeping certain records which are required by law.

Very truly yours,

H. L.

Director

FVL: jr

Encl.

cc H.M. Dole

P.S. Hollis: Harold should go with you if you make the inspection. If the test is really made, Harold would need to watch it as much as practicable -

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UMPQUA DAIRY PRODUCTS CO., INC.  
Sykes and Short Streets  
Roseburg, Oregon

August 15, 1951

Mr. F. W. Libbey  
State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries  
Woodlark Building  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:

A group of we business men in Douglas County have had a geological mapping and reporting done in this area for the search for petroleum. The work has been in charge of Mr. Les Child. The detailed mapping, etc. was done by Mr. Fred Hansen out of the Univ. of Calif. who is now with Phillips Petroleum.

After the work was completed Mr. Knox, Mr. Price and Mr. Childs of the Phillips Petroleum also assisted in additional work and an overall check up. Our report and maps were also turned over to Mr. Buddenhagen and Mr. Vallentine of the Shell Oil. Mr. Vallentine and assistant have been working for Shell Oil in this region for some time now.

We subsequently took this work to others in California and Mr. Fisk of Ventura, Calif. spent four days here in visiting the area and going over the report and maps.

We are about ready to go ahead with a test hole and Mr. Child feels that we should invite you and or any of your associates to go over this work.

He also feels that the services of Mr. Roscoe Stewart on paleontology on the well cuttings would be valuable to us as well as to the State and am writing to ask if it is possible to have Mr. Stewart do this work for us.

We would appreciate a visit from you and any cooperation which you feel could be rendered us by the State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. Our report and maps are available for the inspection of your department.

Yours very truly,

/s/ H. V. Sullivan

c/o Umpqua Dairy Prod. Co. Inc.  
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