

June 30, 2009

Karen Dickerson  
City of Goessel  
P.O. Box 347  
Goessel, Kansas 67052-0347

RE: Abandoned Oil Well

Dear Karen:

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to assist you and the City of Goessel. I am writing to update you on my progress of the project you asked me to complete.

I confirmed our suspicion that there has been petroleum exploration and production activity near the City's wellfield. The Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) shows that at least two oil wells were drilled less than ½-mile from your water wells, in the section north of your wells. A report for one of these oil wells indicates that it has been plugged. Information for the other well, which is closer to your wells, shows that the operator of the well applied for a plugging permit, but never filed the report showing that the plugging was completed. Confirmation of the well's plugging will require contacting the existing oil company, if that can be determined, or inspecting the site of the well.

I have enclosed copies of the information I found on the KGS website.

If you have any additional questions, you can reach me by telephone at 785/640-4701, by e-mail at [dhelmke@krwa.net](mailto:dhelmke@krwa.net) or by writing to 6847 SE 29th Street, Tecumseh, Kansas 66542-9571.

Sincerely,

Douglas S. Helmke, L.G.  
Water Rights / Source Water Specialist  
Kansas Rural Water Association

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Enclosures  
c: KRWA