



# USA PETROLEUM CORPORATION

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November 18, 1996

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## REGISTERED MAIL: RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Secretary of Labor  
Top Hat Plan Exemption  
Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration  
Room N-5644  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20210

Re: Alternative Method of Compliance Under DOL Reg. Section 2520.104-23

Dear Sir or Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to comply with the "Alternative Method of Compliance" for reporting and disclosure (as set forth in DOL Reg. Section 2520.104-23) with respect to the USA Petroleum Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") established by USA Petroleum, a California corporation (the "Company").

In accordance with that Section, we provide you with the following:

1. Name and Address of the Company

USA Petroleum Corporation  
30101 Agoura Court  
Suite 200  
Agoura Hills, California 91301-4311

2. Employer Identification No.

95-3942080

3. Declaration

The Company established, effective October 1, 1996, the Plan, which is maintained primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management and/or highly compensated employees of the company. The Company maintains one (1) such plan. Currently, eight (8) employees participate in the Plan.

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4. Documents

With respect to the Plan, the Company will provide to the Secretary of Labor, upon request, copies of the Plan documents, as required by Section 104(a)(1) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Enclosed is a copy of this letter, which we ask that you date stamp and return to us in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

If you should have any questions about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us at the above address.

Sincerely,

USA Petroleum Corporation

By

Its President

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