Bennett's Transportation Co. Raton, New Mexico December 11, 1946

Miss Laura Gilpin. P. O. Box 1173. Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of December 4th regarding the damages which you claim were done to your car, in Taos, by our driver, Bill Martin.

Mr. Martin reported this to me, stating how the accident accurred and said he asked you to call the officers at the time to see who was at fault and you said no, that your damage was slight.

Now by your statement you admit that the right of way was not clear before you made the attempt to go through; you evidently were going to fast, considering Traffic conditions at that time and place, and considering the distance you went before stopping your car. Now it seems you went to the police after the accident and reported to them as our drivers fault and they were waiting for him on his next trip to Taos, but when he explained and stated that he had asked to call them when it happened they said they couldn't hold any blame against him.

With this information I have, I do not consider that our driver is to blame as he was turning out very slow and you evidently tried to go through before waiting to see if the right of way was clear for passage.

Also for your information, Mr. Martin is a very good and careful driver with no accidents against his record of several years driving.

If for any further reason you feel we are to blame for the damage, please write me and I will go to Taos and investigate it further, but under the reports I have I cannot accept the damages as ours.

Yours truly,

BENNETT'S TRANSPORTATION CO.

M. B. Bennett.

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