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August 5, 1993

BCO, Inc. 135 Grant Santa Fe, NM 87501

RE: Illegal Pits in Northwestern New Mexico

Dunn #7 Tank Battery, 09-23N-07W (Separator pit) Stephenson 22 #1, D-22-24N-07W (Tank Drain pit)

To Whom It May Concern:

New Mexico Oil Conservation Order R-8952 (for the protection of migratory birds) became effective June 15, 1989 and states that <u>all pits</u> and open top tanks more than 16' in diameter shall be screened, netted or covered. Field inspections conducted by Ernie Busch on July 23, 1993 revealed that above mentioned pits require compliance.

Exception to the order may be requested for pits which do not generally contain hydrocarbons, by filing Form C-134. No requests for exceptions have been received in this office for these dry pits.

You are hereby directed to submit exceptions to this office by August 20, 1993. If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 505-334-6178.

Sincerely,

Diama K. Dairhurst

Dianna K. Fairhurst Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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Don Ellsworth - BLM