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August 31, 1993

Ms. Susan Linert
Kimbell Oil Company of Texas
PO Box 1097
Farmington, NM 87499

RE: Illegal Pits in Northwestern New Mexico

Salazar #3E, O-27-25N-06W (1 of 2 earthen pits off the Separator and Production Tank,

unnetted)

Dear Ms. Linert:

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 tanks more than 16' in diameter shall be screened, netted or covered.

On July 29, 1993 field inspections conducted by Jackie Neckels from the BLM revealed that the above mentioned pit contained hydrocarbons and water. In order for this pit to be in compliance, you are hereby directed to remove all fluid or properly net this pit by September 30, 1993.

If you have any questions please feel free to call this office.

Sincerely,

Dianna K. Fairhurst

Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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Jackie Neckels - BLM Farmington