



STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION  
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AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE



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November 22, 1993

Mr. Tom McMillan  
Production Superintendent  
Gas Company of New Mexico  
PO Box 1899  
Bloomfield, NM 87413

RE: Illegal Pits in Northwestern New Mexico  
SRC Grenier #A6, A-34-30N-10W  
**Amoco Florance AB #31A, I-12-29N-08W**

Dear Mr. McMillan:

New Mexico Oil Conservation Order R-8952 (for the protection of migratory birds) became effective June 15, 1989 and states that all pits and open tanks more than 16' in diameter shall be screened, netted or covered.

On July 12 and November 18, field inspections conducted by Denny Foust and Charles Gholson revealed that the above mentioned pits contained water with hydrocarbon skim. In order for these pits to be in compliance, you are hereby directed to remove all fluid or properly net these pits by December 22, 1993.

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

Sincerely,

Dianna K. Fairhurst  
Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

xc: C-134 File  
Well File  
Don Ellsworth - BLM Farmington

Submit 4 Copies  
to Assessment  
District Office

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-134  
Aug. 4, 1989

DISTRICT I  
P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88241-1980

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

DISTRICT II  
P.O. Drawer 00, Arama, NM 88211-0719

Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(For Division Use Only)

DISTRICT III  
1000 Rio Arriba Rd., Arma, NM 87410

APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO DIVISION ORDER R-8952  
FOR PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS Rule 8(b), Rule 105(b), Rule 312(h), Rule 313, or Rule 711

Operator Name: Sunterra Gas Gathering Company

Operator Address: Box 1899, Bloomfield, NM 87413

Lease or Facility Name AMOCO ABY Tera Florence # 31A Location I 12-29-08  
Ut. Ltr. Sec. Twp. F

Size of pit or tank: Approx. 10' x 10' x 6' deep

Operator requests exception from the requirement to screen, net or cover the pit or tank at the above-described facility.

X The pit or tank is not hazardous to migratory waterfowl. Describe completely the reason pit is non-hazardous.

Pit contains no hydrocarbons or oil.

1) If any oil or hydrocarbons should reach this facility give method and time required for removal:

Pumped out by truck and properly disposed of within 24 hours.

2) If any oil or hydrocarbons reach the above-described facility the operator is required to notify the appropriate District Office of the OCD with 24 hours.

Operator proposes the following alternate protective measures: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATION BY OPERATOR:** I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Ron Reynolds Title Production Superintendent Date 3/5/90  
Printed Name Ron Reynolds Telephone No. (505) 632-3311

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Date Facility Inspected 11/18/93

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Inspected by CG

Title \_\_\_\_\_

NOT APPROVED-

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1/2 BBL H<sub>2</sub>O WITH SKIM OIL