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Mr Al Rector
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RE: Simms Mesa SWD #1, E-10-30N-07W, 30-039-24236

Dear Mr. Rector:

The NMOCD, as part of its Underground Injection Authority, requires Blackwood & Nichols Company to perform an MIT on the injection well referenced above once every five years. Mit's are due on this well on or before April 11, 1997.

The mechanical integrity of the casing/tubing annulus is tested by submitting the casing/tubing annulus to a minimum of 300 psig for 30 minutes with less than 10% bleed-off occurring. Pressures are also required to be recorded on a chart recorder as outlined in Rule #704 of the New Mexico Rules & Regulations Manual.

The NMOCD also requires a 48 hour notice before MIT testing an injection or SWD well so that we may be present to witness testing. All testing schedules should be coordinated through me, Ernest Cardona at 334-6178.

Blackwood & Nichols Company should also furnish any necessary personnel and equipment needed to conduct the previously mentioned MIT tests. Please feel free to contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ernest Cardona
Deputy O&G Inspector

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