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Mr Paul Slayton
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Re: NW Cha Cha UT #7	M-17-29N-14W	30-045-08215
NW Cha Cha UT #16	E-22-29N-14W	30-045-08068
NW Cha Cha UT #26	I-22-29N-14W	30-045-29187
NW Cha Cha UT #58	O-26-29N-14W	30-045-07779
NW Cha Cha UT #68	G-35-29N-14W	30-045-09692
NW Cha Cha UT #67	E-36-29N-14W	30-045-07684
NW Cha Cha UT #66	G-36-29N-14W	30-045-07686

Dear Mr. Slayton

On 6-3-1997, a review of the above-mentioned injection wells, operated by Mountain States Petroleum Corporation, revealed that they have been in non-compliance for one or more years because failed and/or past due MIT's were conducted.

It was determined by our District Supervisor, Mr. Frank Chavez, and this office that the referenced wells have come under the directive of NMOCD rule #705-C. This rule stipulates that any injection project, storage, SWD well or injection well, which has had a continuous six month period of non injection, will be considered abandoned and the authority for injection will automatically end.

Mr. Slayton, if you intend to use any of the above referenced wells in the future for injection, they will have to be repermited for injection before they can be utilized.

Please feel free to contact me at (505)334-6178 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Ernest Cardona
Deputy O&G Inspector

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E.C. file