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1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410 (505) 334-6178

December 10, 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 Childers #1, N-01-31N-11W MOI McCord #4E, D-22-30N-13W

Dear Mr. McMillan:

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.

Field inspections conducted by Charles Gholson on December 9, 1993 revealed that the above mentioned pits still contained water with hydrocarbon skim. GCNM was directed to clean or net the McCord #4E pit by August 9, 1993 and the Childers #1 pit by September 23, 1993. In order for these pits to be in compliance, you are hereby directed to net these pits by December 24, 1993.

Your failure to respond to this second request may result in fines or other appropriate measures. If you have any questions please feel free to call this office.

Sincerely,

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Dianna K. Fairhurst Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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Don Ellsworth - BLM Farmington

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FOR OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION USE

1/4 FULL CIL - NO NET

Date Facility Inspected 7/1/93

NOT APPROVED

inspected by_

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 Rule711 Operator Name: Sunterra Gas Gathering Company Operator Address: Box 1899, Bloomfield, NM 87413 McCord # 4E Lease or Facility Name Location Size of on 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. The pit or tank is not hazardous to migratory waterlowl. 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. If any oil or hydrocarbons reach the above-described facility the operator is required 2) appropriate District Office of the OCD with 24 hours. Operator proposes the following alternate protective measures:_ CERTIFICATION BY OPERATOR: I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signature Tile Production Superintendengate 3/7/90 Ron Reynolds Printed Name Telephone No. (505) 632-3311 12/9/93 CG-STILL IN SAME CONDITION

Date

Approved by _____