PIT RECLAMAITON PROJECT



STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

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May 19, 1992

Mr. Lee Hinman Arco Oil & Gas Co. P. O. Box 1610 Midland, TX 79702

RE: PIT RECLAMATION PROJECT

J. A. STUART LEASE NEAR JAL, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Hinman:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of Arco's May, 1992 proposal for pit closure and reclamation of a pit on the J. A. Stuart lease.

The OCD approves the proposed reclamation procedure with the following conditions:

- 1) The OCD Hobbs district office will be notified 48 hours in advance of commencement of the procedure to allow Chris Eustice an opportunity to observe.
- 2) Arco will submit the laboratory results of the final remediated soils to the OCD Hobbs district office.

This OCD approval does not relieve Arco of liability should this operation result in actual pollution of surface water, ground waters or the environment which may be actionable under any other laws and/or regulations.

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JERRY SEXTON

District I Supervisor

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cc: Chris Eustice
Roger Anderson - OCD, Santa Fe

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