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September 22, 1993

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-034

Mr. Gary Harper
ARCO Oil & Gas Company
P.O. Box 1610
Midland, Texas 79702

RE: SOUTH JUSTIS WATERFLOOD DRAIN TANK INSTALLATION

Dear MR. Harper,

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of Arco's August 30, 1993 South Justis Waterflood drain tank installation. This document requests approval of Arco's proposed design for installation of six buried fiberglass double-wall tanks with 100 mil impermeable polyethylene containment liners around the tanks in Lea County, New Mexico.

The above requests are hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. The leak detection sumps of below grade tanks will be inspected monthly for the presence of fluids. Arco will notify OCD of the presence of fluids discovered in leak detection sumps. Appropriate actions will be determined at that time.

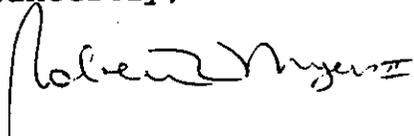
Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve Arco of liability should Arco's activities result in actual contamination of surface waters, ground waters or the environment which is actionable under other laws and/or regulations. In addition, OCD

Ms. Judy A. McLemore
 August 2, 1993
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approval does not relieve Arco of responsibility for compliance with other federal, state or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505). 827-5812.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Myers II
 Petroleum Engineer Specialist
 Environmental Bureau

xc: OCD Hobbs Office

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September 22, 1993

**Mr. Bobby Meyers
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 78504-2088**

Dear Mr. Meyers:

The double walled fiberglass tanks ARCO Oil and Gas Company requested approval to install in our August 30, 1993 letter will have a device installed to monitor the integrity of the walls of the tanks by measuring the fluid level of a water solution which fills the space between the two walls of the tanks. This level will be monitored on a continuous basis by an automation system we are installing as part of this project and the information recorded monthly as part of the record keeping for the preventive maintenance program. A PVC pipe will also be installed in the soil between the tank and the 100 mil liner so a "sniffer" can be used to detect the presence of hydrocarbons.

If one of the tanks does develop leak, it will be removed along with any contaminated soil and replaced. The soil removed shall be disposed of in accordance with the environmental regulations in effect at the time.

If you have any questions or need further information, please call me at 915-688-5719.

Sincerely,



G. A. Harper
Project Engineer



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MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION

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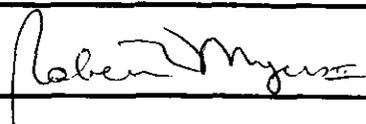
<u>Originating Party</u> Bobby Myers	<u>Other Parties</u> Gary Harper - Arco Oil & Gas
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Subject Lea Co. installation of underground drain tanks

Discussion Tanks have already been ordered, therefore they will go ahead w/ this system. Double-wall design includes a pre-set liquid level which, when level is different, would indicate an encroachment into or out of the inner tank.

Arco will also ensure that PVC pipe in pit will have a line-of-sight capability, as well as sniffer, to visually inspect for liquids, as well as ~~as well as~~ and include this in their monthly inspection.

Conclusions or Agreements
 work is approvable with these conditions 

Distribution Signed 

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August 30, 1993

Mr. Roger Anderson
Environmental Bureau Chief
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 78504-2088

Dear Mr. Anderson:

ARCO Oil and Gas Company requests approval to install six buried closed drain tanks at the South Justis Waterflood in Lea County, New Mexico.

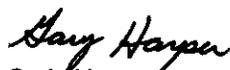
This unit became effective January 1, 1993, under Division Order No. R-9746, and construction of the production facilities for this unit is scheduled to be done between now and the end of the year. Drawings SK-CI010 and SK-CE603 detail the proposed installation. Amy Wright with John Brown engineering and Construction of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has previously discussed this installation with you.

The tanks are constructed with double fiberglass walls and a 100 mil impermeable polyethylene containment liner will be installed around the units. The integrity of the tanks is scheduled to be checked on a monthly basis as part of the preventive maintenance program for the facility. The attached drawing PCA 901 shows the location of the proposed installation. The 6000 gallon tank will be installed at the central battery located in Section 24, R37E, T25S, while one 4000 gallon tank will be installed at each of the five production satellites. Under normal operating conditions, these tanks will be empty, but they may contain some oil or saltwater if an upset occurs at the central battery or a satellite.

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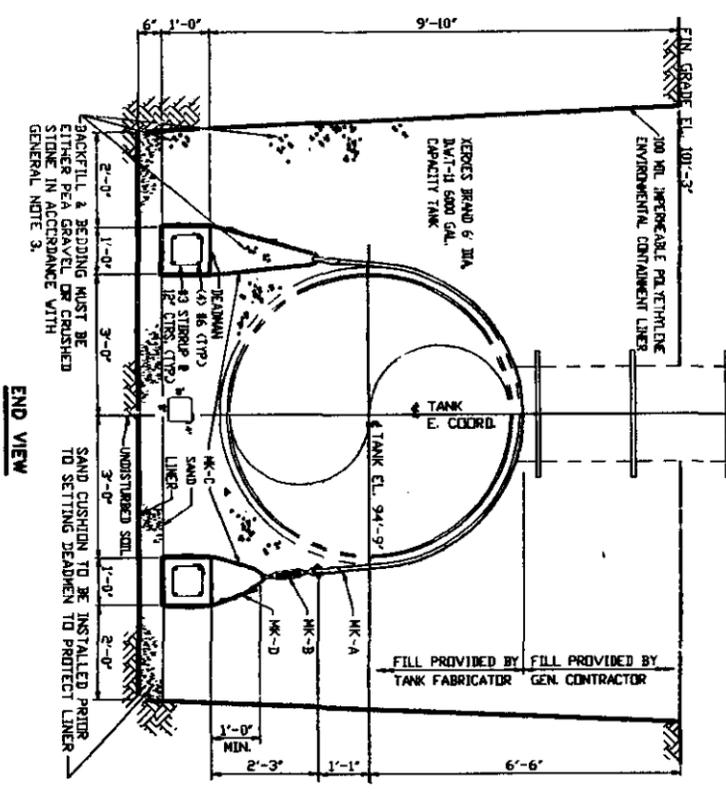
Please let me know if the installation of these tanks to this design is acceptable to the NMOCD. If you have any questions or need further information, please call me at 915-688-5719.

Sincerely,

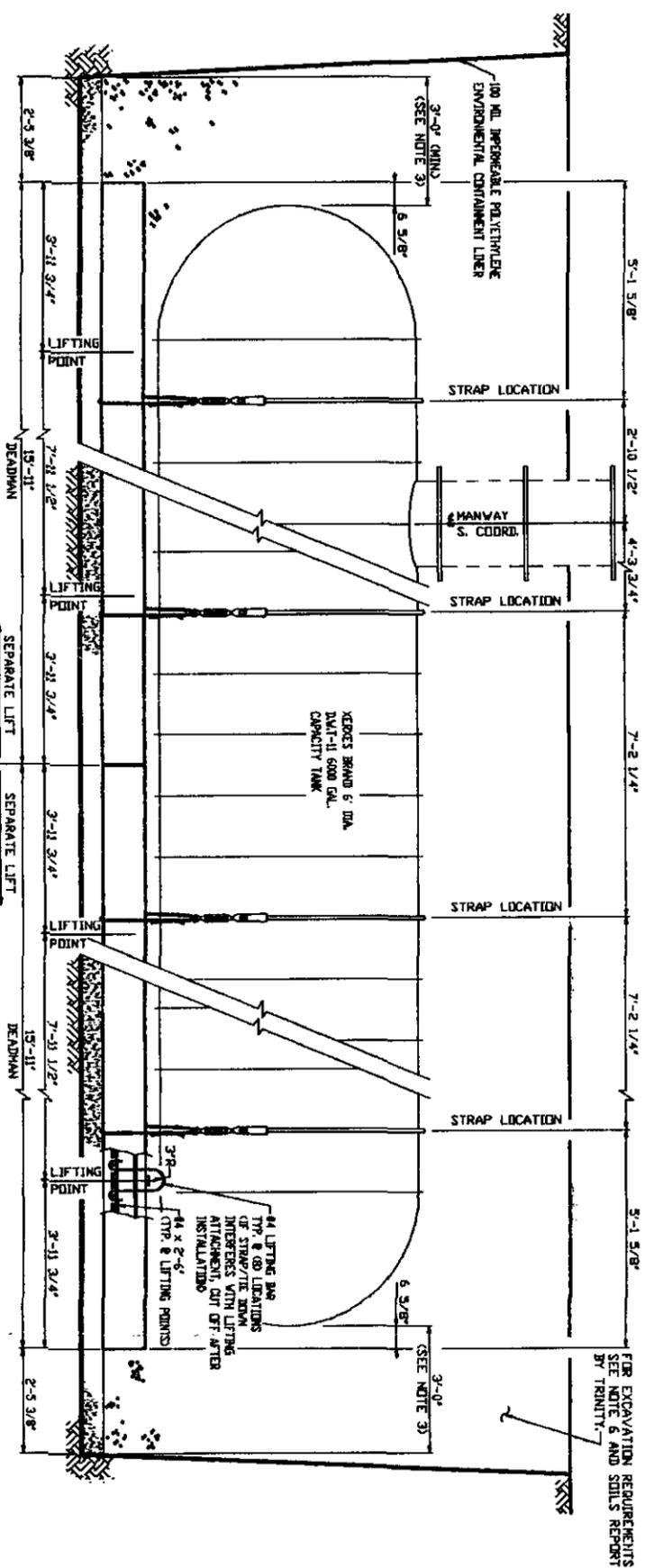


G. A. Harper
Project Engineer

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END VIEW



SIDE VIEW - LOOKING WEST

ANCHOR SYSTEM FOR CLOSED DRAINED TANK (BURIED)

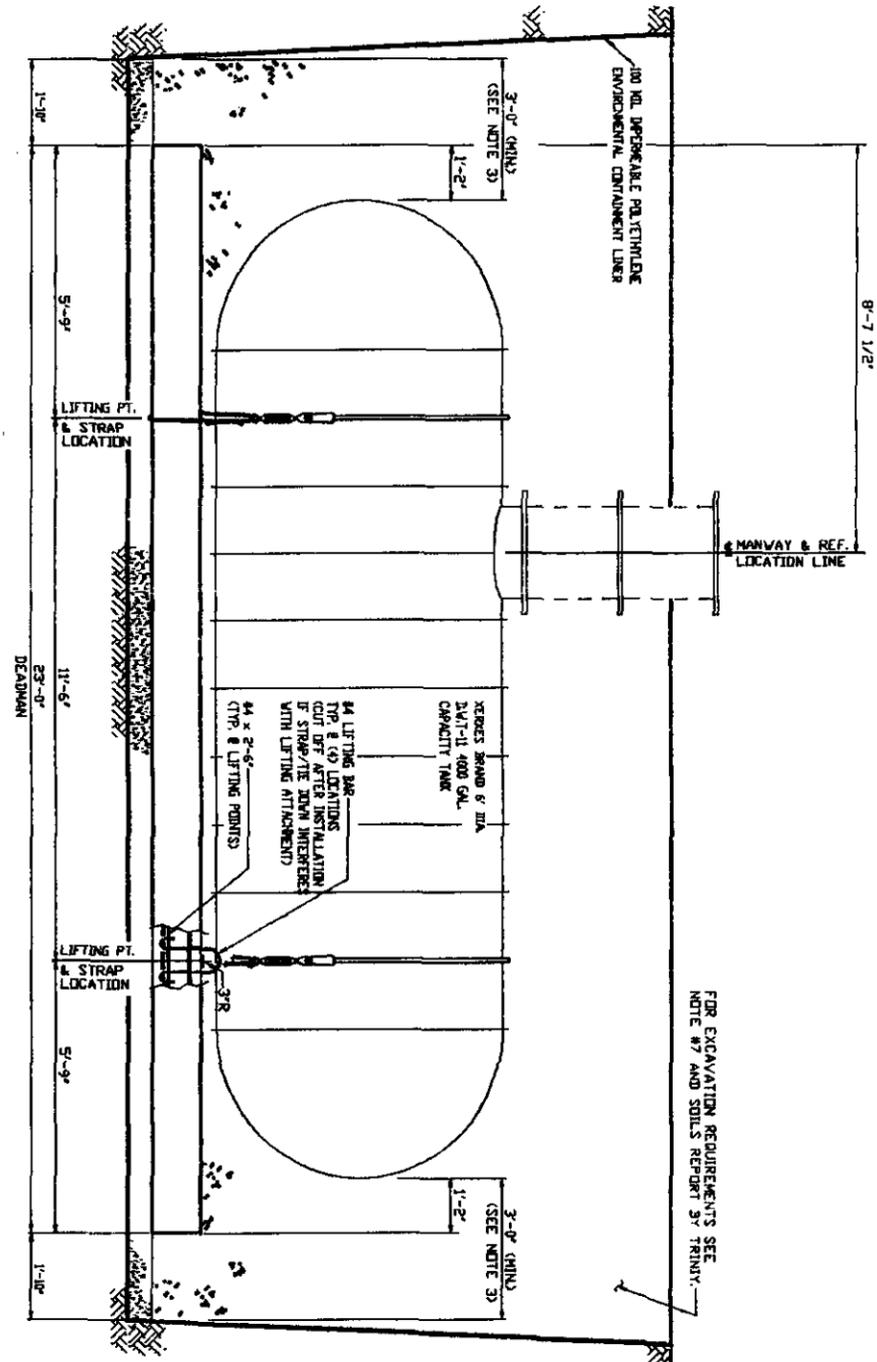
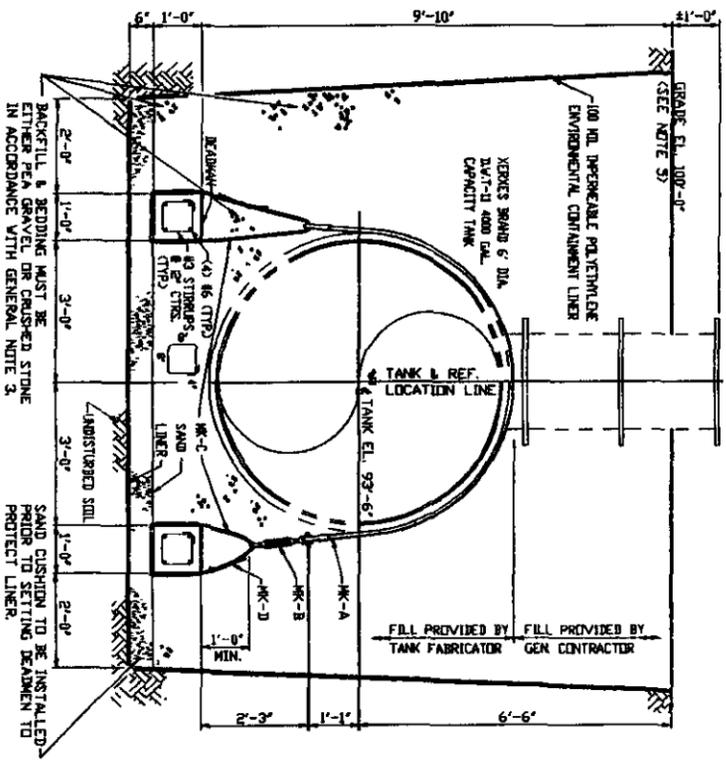
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<p>JOHN BROWN</p> <p>SOUTH JUSTIS FIELD WATERFLOOD CLOSED DRAIN TANK CENTRAL BATTERY LEA COUNTY NEW MEXICO</p>		
SCALE	DRAWING NO.	REV.
NONE	SK-CE603	1

1. CONCRETE AND REBAR SHALL BE PLACED IN ACCORDANCE WITH DETAILS AND NOTES ON DWG. C1005.
2. BACKFILL TO BE COMPACTED TO NOT LESS THAN 90% OF MAXIMUM DENSITY (ASTM D 698-91) AT OPTIMUM MOISTURE CONTENT.
3. REFERENCE TANK FABRICATOR (XERKES CORP.) SPECIFICATION ON FIBERGLASS TANK BACKFILL GUIDELINES AND FIBERGLASS UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK INSTALLATION MANUAL.
4. GENERAL CONTRACTOR TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REINFORCING BAR QUANTITIES AND BENDING SCHEDULES. BENDING DETAILS TO BE SUBMITTED TO GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO FABRICATION.
5. GRADE ELEVATION AND T.O.G. ELEVATION ARE BASED ON AN ASSUMED GRADE OF 100'-0". T.O.G. ELEVATION FOR THE INLET VALVE HANFOLD SKID FOUNDATION WILL BE SET AT 100'-6" AND WILL BE 6 INCHES ABOVE FINISH GRADE. THIS WILL BECOME THE BASE BENCHMARK FOR ALL OTHER FOUNDATIONS AND STRUCTURES.
6. LINER MATERIAL SHALL BE 100 MIL. HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE (HDPE) OR APPROVED EQUAL. LINER SHALL BE INSTALLED BY AN APPROVED LINING SYSTEMS INSTALLER. BEFORE TANKS ARE INSTALLED.
7. EXCAVATION FOR CLOSED DRAIN TANK SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURES AND OSHA REGULATIONS.
8. FOR LOCATION REFER TO STANDARD FOUNDATION LAYOUT REF. DWG. C1019.
9. DEADMEN ARE DESIGNED AS PRECAST CONCRETE BEAMS TO BE LIFTED AT THE SPECIFIED LIFTING POINTS.
10. CONTRACTOR TO REPAIR ANY DAMAGE TO LINER DURING INSTALLATION.

FOR EXCAVATION REQUIREMENTS SEE NOTE 6 AND SOILS REPORT BY TRINITY.



ANCHOR SYSTEM FOR CLOSED DRAINED TANK (BURIED)

ITEM # V-159, V-259, V-359, V-459 & V-559

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LOOKING EAST

SIDE VIEW

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SOUTH JUSTIS FIELD WATERFLODD
 CLOSED DRAIN TANK
 SATELLITE BATTERIES #1 THRU #5
 LEA COUNTY NEW MEXICO

SCALE NONE DRAWING NO. SK-C1010 REV. 1

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