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RE: <u>Request for Extension of Injection Operations into the Bran SWD Well No. 1 (API No. 30-015-25697) pursuant to Administrative Order No. SWD-649-A</u>

Dear Dr. Havenor:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) received your letter of January 19, 2012, regarding the above referenced well.

Order No. SWD-649-A stipulates in relevant parts as follow: "In accordance with Division Rule 19.15.26.12.C. NMAC, the disposal authority granted herein shall terminate one year after the effective date of this order if the operator has not commenced injection operations into the subject well, provided however, the Division, upon written request, mailed by the operator prior to the termination date, may grant an extension thereof for good cause. One year after disposal into the well has ceased, the authority to dispose will terminate *ipso facto*."

This order expired on November 4, 2011. Extensions cannot be granted after an order has expired. As a result, your request to extend the time for the commencement of injection operations into the Bran SWD Well No. 1 is hereby **denied.**

Mesquite SWD, Inc. can reapply administratively to re-instate Order No. SWD-649-A. If you have any questions, please contact Richard Ezeanyim at (505)-476-3467.

Sincerely,

Jami Bailey
Division Director