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Ms. Jennifer Knowlton Agave Energy Co. 105 South Fourth Street Artesia N.M. 88210

Dear Ms. Knowlton:

Based on your responses given in the "Oil & Gas Facilities Questionnaire for Determination of a WQCC Discharge Permit" and a file review, the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has determined that two of your facilities with soon to expire permits are not required to operate under a Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Discharge Permit. This means that the WQCC Discharge Permit for **GW-104** (Agave Foster Ranch CS) and **GW-105** (Yates Larue CS) will be allowed to expire and you are not required to proceed with the renewal of these expired WQCC Discharge Permits. OCD will close these discharge permits in its database.

Because these WQCC Discharge Permits will now longer be in effect, you may be required to obtain separate OCD permit(s) for other processes at your facility, such as: pits, ponds, impoundments, below-grade tanks; waste treatment, storage and disposal operations; and landfarms and landfills. OCD will determine if any of these existing processes may require a separate permit under OCD's Oil, Gas, and Geothermal regulations. If OCD determines that a separate permit(s) is required, then a letter will be sent to you indicating what type of permit is required. Please keep in mind, if your facility has any discharges that would require a WQCC Discharge Permit now or in the future, then you will be required to renew or obtain a WQCC Discharge Permit.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Glenn von Gonten at 505-476-3488.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Jami Bailey Director

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