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May 19, 2008

Mr. David Bays

Williams Four Corners, LLC

188 Road 4900

Bloomfield, New Mexico 87413

**Re: NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY**  
**Williams Four Corners Compressor Stations**  
**San Juan Basin facilities**

Dear Mr. Bays:

The Oil Conservation Division has performed 26 inspections of Williams Four Corners compressor station located in the San Juan Basin. The following stations have been inspected:

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| 1. (GW-108) 30-5 # 1              | 14. (GW-273) Moore (Idle)           |
| 2. (GW-111) 32-8 #2               | 15. (GW-271) Kernaghan              |
| 3. (GW-117) 32-7 #1               | 16. (GW-272) Kernaghan B-8 (Idle)   |
| 4. (GW-287) Snow Shoe             | 17. (GW-136) 29-7 CDP               |
| 5. (GW-122) 29-6 # 4              | 18. (GW-307) Laguna Seca            |
| 6. (GW-229) Trunk G (Idle)        | 19. (GW-364) Bancos CDP             |
| 7. (GW-121) 29-6 #2 CDP           | 20. (GW-365) Eul CDP                |
| 8. (GW-118) 31-6 CDP              | 21. (GW-133) 30 - 8 CDP (Idle)      |
| 9. (GW-120) Pipkin                | 22. (GW-116) 32 - 8 CDP             |
| 10. (GW-129) Crouch Mesa          | 23. (GW-292) Rosa #1 CDP            |
| 11. (GW-208) Hart Mountain (Idle) | 24. (GW-306) Trunk N                |
| 12. (GW-091) 32-9 CDP             | 25. (GW-134) Decker Junction (Idle) |
| 13. (GW-087) Cedar Hills          | 26. (GW-250) Coyote Springs         |

The OCD has observed several areas of concern after inspecting these sites. They are as follows:

- Condition 6. Waste Disposal and Storage:** *"The owner/operator shall not store oil field waste on-site for more than 180 days unless approved by the OCD."* Williams Four Corners has renewed their permits for 5 of the 26 facilities that are "non-operational". These facilities have been non-operational for more than one year and a few still contain waste material on site, i.e. landfarm soil, solid waste and liquids. Williams Four Corners shall properly dispose of their remaining waste for these facilities.
- Condition 7. Drum Storage:** *"The owner/operator must store all drums, including empty drums, containing materials other than fresh water on an impermeable pad with curbing. Must store empty drums on their sides with the bungs in place and lined up on a horizontal*

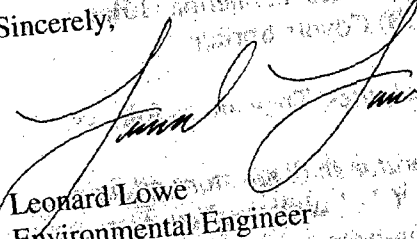


- plane. Must store chemicals in other containers, such as tote tanks, sacks, or buckets on an impermeable pad with curbing." OCD has witness several stations with improper storage of barrels and fluids.
3. **Condition 10. Labeling:** "The owner/operator shall clearly label all tanks, drums, and containers to identify their contents and other emergency notification information. The owner/operator may use a tank code numbering system, which is incorporated into their emergency response plans". Several containers were not labeled.
  4. **Condition 11. A:** "Small sumps or depressions in secondary containment systems used to facilitate fluid removal are exempt from these requirements if fluids are removed within 72 hours." Several secondary containers were holding a large amount of liquids assumed greater than 72 hours. Williams Four Corners must remove all fluids from secondary containers within 72 hours.
  5. **Condition 8. Process, Maintenance and Yard areas.** "The owner/operator shall either pave and curb or have some type of spill collection device incorporated into the design at all process, maintenance, and yard areas which show evidence that water contaminants from releases, leaks and spills have reached the ground surface." Secondary containers are present at these facilities but best management practices are not followed. The OCD has witnessed the majority of the stations to have hydrocarbon staining within its facility grounds with the majority near the compressor engines. Williams Four Corners shall prevent any discharging of hydrocarbons directly on to the ground. If a discharge does occur it shall be addressed immediately and not allowed to accumulate. Placing clean gravel over the contamination is not an allowable practice.

The OCD would like to point out these deficiencies. Please correct as soon as possible and provide the OCD a progress report within 90 days from the date of this letter. These conditions are assumed by the OCD to be present at all of Williams Four Corners 70 + compressor stations that have a discharge permit. Please reflect these concerns to all of the permitted compressor stations and gas plants owned by Williams Four Corners, LLC. NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-31 (A) authorizes penalties of up to one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) per day per violation for any knowing and willful violation of any provision of the Oil and Gas Act or any rule adopted pursuant to the Act.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (505) 476-3492 or [leonard.lowe@state.nm.us](mailto:leonard.lowe@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

  
Leonard Lowe  
Environmental Engineer

cc: Daniel Sanchez, Enforcement and Compliance Manager  
Wayne Price, Environmental Bureau Chief  
Brandon Powell, District III Environmental Specialist

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*Wynell Corrales*  
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## ATENCIÓN PÚBLICA

Williams Four Corners, LLC, County Road 4900, Bloomfield, NM 87413, presentaron una aplicación de renovación en el marzo de 2008 a la New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division para la descarga antes aprobada planear GW-307 para su Laguna Seca Compressor Station localizada en el SE/4, SW/4 de la Sección 19, Municipio 31 Norte, Recorren 5 Oeste en Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. La instalación, este de aproximadamente 35 millas localizado de Aztec, proporciona servicios de acondicionamiento y compresión de gas naturales.

El plan de descarga se dirige como las caídas, los agujeros, y otras descargas casuales a la superficie serán manejados. Los materiales típicos generados o usados en la instalación incluyen el echar agua condensado/producir de gas natural, el petróleo de lubricación nuevo y usado, echar agua de desecho aceitoso del equipo se lavan abajo, y glicol. La cantidad de wastewater generado es 100 - 5000 galones por año por motor. La instalación no descarga para reventar o subvertir los echaes agua, y por lo tanto la cantidad y la calidad de las descargas no son aplicables. Toda la basura generada será temporalmente almacenada en tanques o contenedores equipados con la contención secundaria. La basura transportó off-site será dispuesto o reciclado en una instalación permitida por la agencia estatal, federal, o tribal recibir tal basura. Se espera que la profundidad de agua subterránea estimada en el sitio esté en la variedad de 100-400 pies. El total se disolvió se espera que la concentración de sólidos del agua subterránea de área esté en la variedad de 200-2,000 partes por millón.

Cualquier persona interesada o personas pueden obtener la información, presentar comentarios o solicitar para ser colocado en una lista de direcciones específica de instalación para futuros avisos por ponerse en contacto con Leonard Lowe en el Nuevo México OCD en 1220 Sur San. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, Nuevo México 87505, Teléfono (505) 476-3492. El OCD aceptará comentarios y declaraciones del interés en cuanto a la renovación y creará una lista de direcciones específica de instalación para personas que desean recibir futuros avisos.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Williams Four Corners, LLC, 188 County Road 4900, Bloomfield, New Mexico 87413, submitted a renewal application in March 2008 to the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division for the previously approved discharge plan GW-307 for their Laguna Seca Compressor Station located in the SE/4, SW/4 of Section 19, Township 31 North, Range 5 West in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The facility, located approximately 35 miles east of Aztec, provides natural gas compression and conditioning services.

The discharge plan addresses how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed. Typical materials generated or used at the facility include natural gas condensate/produced water; new and used lube oil, oily waste water from equipment wash down, and glycol. The quantity of wastewater generated is 100-5000 gallons per year per engine. The facility does not discharge to surface or subsurface waters, and therefore the quantity and quality of the discharges is not applicable. All wastes generated will be temporarily stored in tanks or containers equipped with secondary containment. Waste shipped offsite will be disposed or recycled at a facility permitted by state, federal, or tribal agency to receive such waste. The estimated ground water depth at the site is expected to be in the range of 100-400 feet. The total dissolved solids concentration of area ground water is expected to be in the range of 200-2,000 parts per million.

Any interested person or persons may obtain information, submit comments or request to be placed on a facility-specific mailing list for future notices by contacting Leonard Lowe at the New Mexico OCD at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, Telephone (505) 476-3492. The OCD will accept comments and statements of interest regarding the renewal and will create a facility-specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices.

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BOB WALLER, being duly sworn says: That he is the CLASSIFIED MANAGER of THE DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in English at Farmington, said county and state, and that the hereto attached Legal Notice was published in a regular and entire issue of the said DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper duly qualified for the purpose within the meaning of Chapter 167 of the 1937 Session Laws of the State of New Mexico for publication and appeared in the Internet at The Daily Times web site on the following day(s):

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ON 2/15/08 BOB WALLER appeared before me, whom I know personally to be the person who signed the above document.

Wynell Corey  
My Commission Expires Nov. 15, 2008

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations (20.6.2.3106 NMAC), the following discharge permit application(s) has been submitted to the Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("NMOCD"), 1220 S. Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, Telephone (505) 476-3440:

(GW-040) Mr. Bill Robertson, Remediation Project Manager, Giant Industries, Inc., 111 County Road 4990, Bloomfield, NM 87413, has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for its Former Bloomfield Refinery, located in the NW/4 of Section 27 and the SW/4 of Section 22, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, located approximately five miles west of Bloomfield, New Mexico. During 2006, approximately 4,600,000 gallons of contaminated ground water was processed in a ground water remediation system. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 5 to 10 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 1,700 to 3,100 mg/l. The discharge plan addresses how contaminated ground water will be remediated and disposed of and how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed in order to protect fresh water.

(GW-126) Weatherford U.S. Limited Partnership, CB Jacobson, Environmental Project Manager, 735 E. 1400 N., Mapleton, UT 84664, has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for their Oil and Gas Service Company, 5432 Highway 64, Farmington N.M., located in the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 19, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, approximately 7/10 mile from the intersection of Highway 64 and Browning Parkway in Farmington, New Mexico. Approximately 16,000 gallons of drilling chemicals, 576 gallons/year of used chemicals, 1000 gallons/year of used oil, and 300 gallons/day of wash water are generated and stored onsite prior to disposal at an NMOCD approved facility. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 50 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately less than 1000 mg/l. The discharge plan addresses how oilfield products and waste will be properly handled, stored, and disposed of, including how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed in order to protect fresh water.

(GW-375) BJ Services Company USA, Mr. Josh Morrisette, HSE Specialist, 11211 FM 2920, Tomball, TX 77375, has submitted an application for a new discharge plan permit for their Oil and Gas Service Company, 3111 Bloomfield Highway, Farmington N.M. 87401, located in the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. Approximately 5000 gallons of Diammonium EDTA, 2000 gallons of Tetra Ammonium EDTA and 110 gallons of PCI-20 are stored at this facility and are used for its oil and gas related business. Its waste streams consist of approximately 5 gallons of methanol and varying amount of general office waste. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 30 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 1,500 - 2,500 mg/l. The discharge plan addresses how oilfield products and waste will be properly handled, stored, and disposed of, including how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed in order to

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The NMOCD has determined that the application is administratively complete and has prepared a draft permit. The NMOCD will accept comments and statements of interest regarding this application and will create a facility-specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices. Persons interested in obtaining further information, submitting comments or requesting to be on a facility-specific mailing list for future notices may contact the Environmental Bureau Chief of the Oil Conservation Division at the address given above. The administrative completeness determination and draft permit may be viewed at the above address between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or may also be viewed at the NMOCD web site <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd/>. Persons interested in obtaining a copy of the application and draft permit may contact the NMOCD at the address given above. Prior to ruling on any proposed discharge permit or major modification, the Director shall allow a period of at least thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice, during which interested persons may submit comments or request that NMOCD hold a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing shall set forth the reasons why a hearing should be held. A hearing will be held if the Director determines that there is significant public interest.

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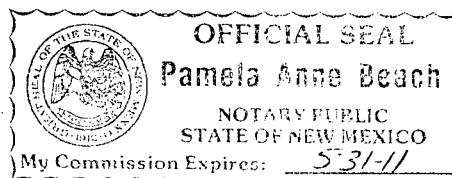
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(GW-076) Mr. Maurice Sticker, Director of Environmental Affairs, Smith Services, 1000 West County Road, Hobbs, NM 88240 has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for its oil field services facility, located in the NW/4 of NW/4 of Section 32, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, located at 1000 West County Road, Hobbs, New Mexico. Groundwater that is most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 45 feet below ground surface, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 657 mg/l. The discharge plan addresses how contaminated ground water will be remediated and disposed of and how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed in order to protect fresh water.

(GW-072) Mr. Joshua Morrisette, BJ Services, 2708 West County Road, Hobbs, NM 88240, has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for its oil field services facility located in the NW/4 of the NE/4 of Section 20, Township 18 North, Range 38 West, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, located at 2708 West County Road, Hobbs, New Mexico. Groundwater most likely to be affected by an accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 52 feet below ground surface with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 657 mg/l. The discharge plan consists of a waste management plan and specifies how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed in order to protect fresh water. The discharge plan also addresses how chloride contaminated ground water will be remediated and disposed of until the ground water meets standards pursuant to 20.6.2.3103 NMAC of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulations.

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