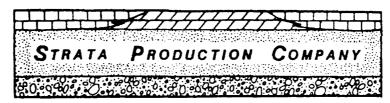
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June 28, 2002

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Attention: David Catanach

RE:

**Application for Salt Water Disposal Well** Forty Niner Ridge Unit #1 Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations Unit Letter J, Section 16, T-23-S, R-30-E Eddy County, New Mexico

(30-015-20899)

## Gentlemen:

Strata Production Company respectfully requests administrative approval for the attached C-108 application on its Forty Niner Ridge Unit # 1 well for the purpose of disposing of produced fluids in the non-commercial Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon interval. This work will allow Strata, to supplement the disposal for the Nash Draw Unit and dispose of produced water that is anticipated from work to be performed on wells in the Forty Niner Ridge Unit. The installation of the proposed disposal well will lower the current economic limit on each well and ultimately allow Strata to recover additional oil & gas reserves that would otherwise be left in place.

Strata respectfully requests that this application be approved administratively, or through an NMOCD sponsored hearing scheduled at the earliest possible time. This is requested so that the necessary operations can be advanced in a prudent manner. If you have any questions concerning the application, please contact me at (505) 624-2800.

Yours very truly,

Bruce A. Stubbs Consulting Engineer

Attachments File

cc: Tim Gum - NMOCD; Artesia, New Mexico

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