



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Dear Sir:

The Division received your "Notice of Withdrawal of Application of Artesia Aeration, LLC to Modify its Existing NMOCD Rule 711 Permit No. NM-01030 So That They May Accept Salt-Contaminated Oilfield Wastes" on May 19, 2005.

Please be advised the Division will be issuing a formal order finalizing the status of Division Case No. 13481. However, in the interim, the Division's March 4, 2005 letter to Artesia Aeration, LLC is still in effect. The operative statement in that letter is:

"Effective immediately, the NMOCD permitted landfarm identified above (Permit No. NM-1-0030) is prohibited from accepting oilfield waste contaminated with salts."

Thank You,

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