OCD PROPOSED VARIANCES

1. Discharge Prohibition

The Director of the OCD may administratively approve a variance to the discharge prohibition if the discharger can demonstrate that:

- A. the discharge quality does not exceed the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Ground Water Standards, or;
- B. protectable ground water (as defined by the New Mexico State Engineer) at the discharge location will not affected by the discharge, and;
- C. the discharge is not located within a "WELLHEAD PROTECTION AREA".

2. Time Schedule For Elimination Of Discharges

For good cause shown, the Director of the OCD may administratively allow an extension of the time schedules for elimination of discharges to unlined pits, as described in the "OCD Proposed Schedule For Implementation Of Vulnerable Area Recommendations", for a period not to exceed one year.

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