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State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

RE: Application for approved Waste Disposal Site

As a member of the oil and gas producing community in Lea County, we recognize the importance of adequate waste disposal facilities to the future economic development of our industry in Southeast New Mexico. With only two approved waste disposal sites in the area, the need exists for additional environmentally safe and NMOCD approved facilities both to inhance comp etition in the disposal segment of the industry and to provide additional waste disposal capacity. Future drilling, secondary and tertiary recovery projects will depend on the existence of such facilities.

The Petro-Thermo Corporation proposal for a waste disposal site in the NE4 of Sec. 16, T-20S, R-32E, Lea County, will help meet the disposal requirements of the oil and gas industry in Southeast New Mexico. Your prompt consideration of their application will be appreciated.

Yours very truy,
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District Superintendent

XC: Petro-Thermo Corp.
P.O. Box 2069
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ATTN: Mr. R.W. Abbott

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