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**ORDER**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Pollution Control

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 7278  
Order No. R-6718

APPLICATION OF POLLUTION CONTROL,  
INC. FOR AN OIL TREATING PLANT  
PERMIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on June 17, 1981,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 1st day of July, 1981, the Division  
Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the  
recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the  
premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required  
by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the  
subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Pollution Control, Inc., seeks  
authority to construct and operate a chemical and heat-treatment  
type oil treating plant in the E/2 NW/4 of Section 18, Township  
20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the  
reclamation of sediment oil recovered from waters trucked in to  
applicant's salt water disposal facilities at Laguna Gatuna,  
which are operated pursuant to the provisions of Division Order  
No. R-3725, dated April 16, 1969.

(3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits should be  
constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire  
capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location in  
order that sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil cannot  
escape from the immediate vicinity of such plant.

(4) That the proposed plant and method of processing will  
efficiently process, treat, and reclaim the aforementioned waste  
oil, thereby salvaging oil which would otherwise be wasted.

(5) That the subject application should be approved as being in the best interests of conservation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Pollution Control, Inc., is hereby authorized to install and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the E/2 NW/4 of Section 18, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil to be obtained from salt water being disposed of in applicant's salt water disposal facilities located at Laguna Gatuna.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the continuation of the authorization granted by this order shall be conditioned upon compliance with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that prior to commencing operation of said plant, the applicant shall file with the Division and obtain approval of a performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 conditioned upon substantial compliance with applicable statutes of the State of New Mexico and all rules, regulations and orders of the Oil Conservation Division.

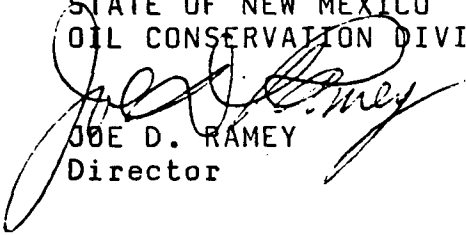
(2) That the operator of the above-described oil treating plant shall clear and maintain in a condition clear of all debris and vegetation a fireline at least 15 feet in width and encircling the site upon which the plant is located.

(3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits shall be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location and capable of preventing the escape of any sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil from the immediate vicinity of said plant.

(4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

  
JOE D. RAMEY  
Director

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