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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION

\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_ Personal Time 9:15 Date 8-3-00  
12:57

Originating Party

Richard Dorate  
ELPASO NATGAS

Other Parties

Marilyn Kicking

SOS 831-7763 O# message

Subject Hydrotest Pipe Rophre lost water, Break 3 miles  
West of Bloom Field Plant on county Road 5030  
Water went to a Dry wash

Discussion Called National Response Center (did Not want it Reported)  
Richard making Note on that for File.  
BLM & Landowners are being notified.

OCD Notified at 9:15 am District office Shortly After.  
Denny knows.

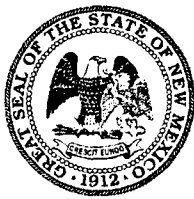
20 inch Rip in pipe took Grab sample of water will Analyze  
for Full WQOC List Expects oil & Grease

Conclusions or Agreements will send Photos.

Distribution

Signed

Marilyn Kicking



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

**GARY E. JOHNSON**

Governor

**Jennifer A. Salisbury**

Cabinet Secretary

July 26, 2000

**Lori Wrotenbery**

Director

**Oil Conservation Division**

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

**RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-559-573-334**

Mr. Richard Duarte  
El Paso Natural Gas Company  
3801 Atrisco Blvd., NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87120

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge  
Line 3201  
San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Duarte:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) request, dated July 18, 2000, for authorization to discharge approximately 768,585 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of 9 miles of used pipeline (20" Blanca - Fruitland First Loop Line, No. 3201) in San Juan County, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The test water (768,585 gallons) will be discharged into a lined pond located at the EPNG's Blanco Plant located in N/2 N/2 Section 14, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
2. The liquids will be allowed to evaporate in the lined pond.
3. The pond liner will be constructed of high-density polyethylene not less than 12 mm thick.
4. The pond liner will be secured along the edge and weighted in the bottom so that the wind will not damage the liner integrity.
5. The pond will be designed to accommodate 1 ½ feet of freeboard.
6. Any solids that accumulate as a result of the discharge will be subject to full hazardous waste characterization testing to determine the proper means of disposal.
7. The analytical results will be made available to the OCD along with a request for disposal of the accumulated solids.

Oil Conservation Division \* 2040 South Pacheco Street \* Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Phone: (505) 827-7131 \* Fax (505) 827-8177 \* <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us>

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow EPNG to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve EPNG of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve EPNG of responsibility for compliance with other federal, state or local regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Martyne Kieling at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger C. Anderson", written in a cursive style.

Roger C. Anderson  
Environmental Bureau Chief

RCA/mjk

xc: OCD Aztec Office

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION

☒ Telephone ☐ Personal <sup>left message</sup> Time 11:15 Date 7-25-00  
Blue water station 722 3641 - NO Answer.

Originating Party

Marlynn

Other Parties

Richard Duarte

505/431-7763

12:30 7-26-00 spoke to  
Richard

Subject Hydro Static test old Pipe  
Additional Information

Discussion

1. High light Pipeline ✓

2. old Pipe

3. Discharge at FPN6 Blanco Plant  
Lined Pond - Evaporation

1990 used liner Removed  
Construction Remained

Legal location of Pond ✓

Relined. Newly 30 inl.

4. Analytical Full Haz waste testing ✓

Source - ~~Portables~~ water River

12/2 N/2 Sec 14, T29 N, R11W

Conclusions or Agreements

Distribution

Signed

Marlynn J. Kelly



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS  
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
2040 South Pacheco Street  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505  
(505) 827-7131

November 21, 1996

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-288-258-839**

Mr. Gilbert Aragon  
El Paso Natural Gas Co.  
P.O. Box 1492  
El Paso, Texas 79978

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge**  
**TransColorado Pipeline**  
**24" and 16" New Pipe**  
**San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Aragon:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the El Paso Natural Gas Co. request, dated November 4, 1996, for authorization to discharge approximately 1,500,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of new pipeline on the TransColorado Pipeline. Approximately 150,000 gallons of hydro test water will be discharged into the pipeline trench located in Section 30, Township 31 North, Range 10 East, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico and approximately 250,000 gallons into the trench located in Section 25, Township 30 North, Range 11 East, NMPM, San Juan County. The balance of the hydro test water will be discharged in the previously approved wastewater pond located at the Blanco Plant.

Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Permission will be obtained from the landowner(s) prior to discharge.
2. The test water will be discharged in a manner to prevent erosion.
3. The pipe must be new and never previously used for oil and/or gas transmission.
4. Fresh water will be used to conduct the test.
5. No discharged fluids will be allowed to enter a water of the U.S.

*OK to unland pond  
in request  
R.H.*

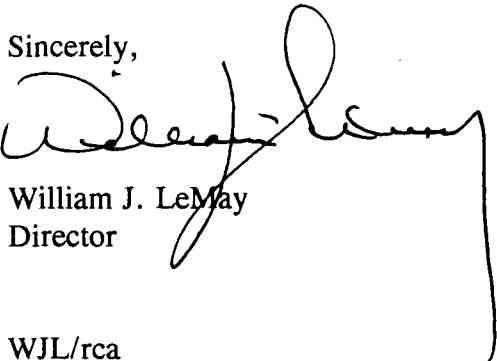
Mr. Gilbert Aragon  
November 21, 1996  
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Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow El Paso Natural Gas Co. to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve El Paso Natural Gas Co. of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve El Paso Natural Gas Co. of liability for compliance with other laws and/or regulation.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-7152.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/rca

xc: OCD Aztec Office



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
2040 S. PACHECO  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87505  
(505) 827-7131

December 4, 1995

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-765-962-599**

Mr. Rick Cosby  
El Paso Natural Gas Company  
P.O. Box 4990  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge**  
**San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Cosby:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) request, dated November 28, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 178,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of new 16" pipeline (Trunk "H") located in San Juan County, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. The source water will be from the Animas River.
2. The test water will be discharged to a bermed pit located in the NW/4 of Section 5, Township 30 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
3. Permission will be obtained from the landowner prior to discharge.
4. The pipe must be new and never used for hydrocarbon transmission.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow EPNG to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this approved discharge is to continue at this site for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.



Mr. Rick Cosby  
December 4, 1995  
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Please be advised that this approval does not relieve EPNG of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, this approval does not relieve EPNG of responsibility for compliance with other federal, state and/or local regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Chris Eustice at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,

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Roger C. Anderson  
Environmental Bureau Chief

xc: OCD Aztec Office

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**2040 S. Pacheco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505**

October 12, 1995

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

**RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-765-962-572**

Mr. Martin Fong  
El Paso Natural Gas Company  
P.O. Box 1492  
El Paso, Texas 79978

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge  
San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Fong:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) request, dated October 9, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 2,254,465 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of new 34" pipeline to be constructed downstream of EPNG's Chaco Plant, located in San Juan County, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. The source water will be from the unlined non-contact water pond located at the Chaco Plant.
2. The test water will be discharged to the same unlined non-contact water pond located at the Chaco Plant for evaporation.

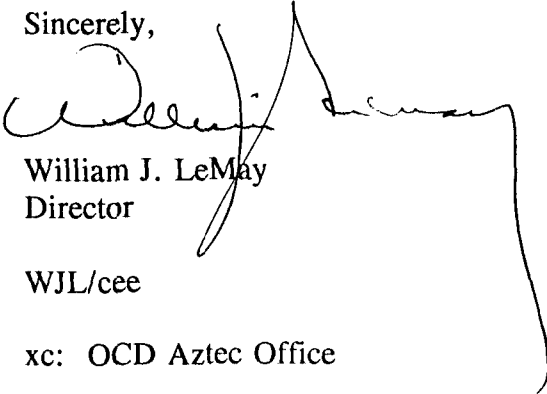
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow EPNG to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this approved discharge is to continue at this site for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Mr. Martin Fong  
October 12, 1995  
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If there are any questions, please call Chris Eustice at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/cee

xc: OCD Aztec Office

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

2040 S. Pacheco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

October 6, 1995

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

**RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-765-962-569**

Mr. Martin Fong  
El Paso Natural Gas Company  
P.O. Box 1492  
El Paso, Texas 79978

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge**  
**San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Fong:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) request, dated October 6, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 1,636,860 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of new 36" pipeline to be constructed between EPNG's Chaco and Blanco Plants, located in San Juan County, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. The source water will be from the unlined non-contact water pond located at the Chaco Plant.
2. The test water will be discharged to the same unlined non-contact water pond located at the Chaco Plant for evaporation.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow EPNG to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this approved discharge is to continue at this site for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Mr. Martin Fong

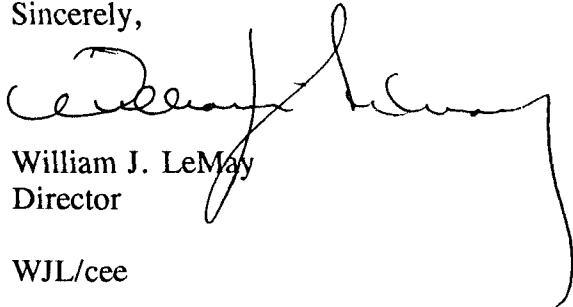
October 6, 1995

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