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Ford, Jack

From: Ford, Jack
Sent: Friday, June 04, 1999 10:45 AM
To: 'Arya, Jean'
Subject: RE: Discharge of hydrostatic test water - Albuquerque Main Line '99

Ms. Jean Arya
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Arya:

The OCD is in receipt of Public Service Company of New Mexico's (PNM) request for permission to discharge 584,000 gallons of water used for hydrostatic testing of new unused pipeline pipe at PNM's Santa Fe Junction connection. The water used for the hydrostatic testing will be discharged into an unlined pit located on PNM's property and will not be released onto any contiguous property. The OCD hereby approves the discharge of the water used for hydrostatic testing into the unlined pit with the following stipulations:

1. All water used for hydrostatic testing is obtained from Rio Rancho Municipal sources;
2. PNM's certifies that the pipeline pipe being tested is new unused pipe;
3. PNM will collect water samples for laboratory analyses according to prescribed guidelines for discharge waters from hydrostatic testing. Results of laboratory analyses will be provided to the OCD.

Further, this approval does not relieve PNM from liability should operations result in contamination of the environment.

Sincerely,

W. Jack Ford
Environmental Bureau
Oil Conservation Division

From: Arya, Jean [SMTP:JArya@mail.pnm.com]

Sent: Friday, June 04, 1999 10:16 AM

To: Ford, Jack

Subject: Discharge of hydrostatic test water - Albuquerque Main Line '99

Jack,

Here is our formal application for a discharge this weekend. I'm sorry to rush you on this. Let me know if you have any question, I'll be standing by for a reply!

Thanks,
Jean

> Dear Mr. Ford:

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> Public Service Company of New Mexico, Gas Services, (PNMGS) requests

> permission to discharge the following water from a hydrostatic test:

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- > Name of Project: Albuquerque Main Line '99
- > Location of discharge: Section 36, Township 12 N, Range 1E
- > (PNMGS's Santa Fe Junction)
- > Volume to be discharged: 584,000 gallons
- > Source of Water: City of Rio Rancho
- > Condition of pipe: New, unused
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- > We will construct a temporary, unlined holding pond on PNM property to
- > receive the discharge. This will prevent any water spilling on to
- > property owned by others. When the water has dissipated, the grade will
- > be restored. Ground water depth at this site is unknown. It is estimated
- > at over five hundred feet.
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- > If you have any questions please call me at (505) 241-4954, or e-mail me
- > at jarya@mail.pnm.com

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Sincerely,

> Jean Arya
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GARREY CARRUTHERS
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October 16, 1987

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Mr. Melvin J. Christopher
District Engineer
Gas Company of New Mexico
P.O. Box 1899
Bloomfield, NM 87413

RE: Permit for hydrostatic test dewater

Dear Mr. Christopher:

The OCD has received and reviewed your application dated October 13, 1987, for a permit to dispose wash and rinse water generated during the hydrostatic testing of 8.68 miles of 12" gas pipeline in Sandoval County. The requested disposal location is your existing evaporation ponds at the Las Milpas gas storage project. The application is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. The wash water with detergent will be collected in a tank and then transported to the evaporation ponds for disposal.
2. The wash water stage will be followed by pigged rinse water stages until it is determined that the quality of the discharge will pose no contamination threat if spills or leaks occur during the actual test. The rinse water will be collected in a tank and transported to the evaporation ponds for disposal. A member of the OCD will be on site to test each stage of rinse water and to determine when the discharge is acceptable.
3. After the hydrostatic test is completed, the water will be collected in tanks and transported to the evaporation ponds for disposal. If disposal of the actual test water at the test site is requested, written permission from the landowner must be submitted.
4. Notification 72 hours prior to the cleaning will be required to allow the OCD to have personnel on location to witness the procedure and sample the waste streams.

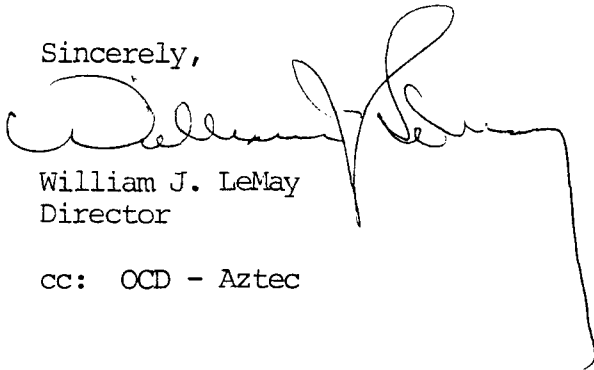
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A contingency plan must be developed to minimize and contain any water released due to leaks or breaks of the pipeline during the actual test.

Please be advised that the approval of this application does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or groundwater which may be actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5885.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'William J. LeMay', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William J. LeMay
Director

cc: OCD - Aztec



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Gas Company of New Mexico
P.O. Box 1899
Bloomfield, NM 87413

Attention: Mr. S. Campbell

Dear Mr. Campbell:

We have received your request dated March 15, 1985 to discharge approximately 275,000 gallons of hydrostatic test water from a section of your Albuquerque Mainline sometime this year. To continue with the review process, please submit the following information:

- 1) A topographic map showing the section of pipeline to be tested, filling point, and dewatering point.
- 2) Attached to this letter is a copy of Section 3-103 Parts A, B, and C from the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Rules and Regulations (WQCC). Your water analysis should include an analysis for those constituents listed except for those constituents crossed out. Please note that an analysis for meta-, para-, and ortho-xylenes is also requested. I have included for your reference a revised copy of the New Mexico WQCC Rules and Regulations.
- 3) List any water wells within one mile of the dewatering pit.
- 4) The dimensions for your proposed dewatering pit (60' x 60' x 10') will hold a maximum of 269,000 gallons of water. Please redesign your pit to allow for approximately 2 feet of freeboard; e.g., dimensions of 70' x 70' x 10' will provide a freeboard space of 2.5 feet for 275,000 gallons of water.

In addition to the above information, we request permission to be present during the dewatering process so that we may collect samples of the discharged water. If you have any

questions concerning this letter or the WQCC Rules and Regulations, please feel free to call me at 827-5812.

Sincerely,

Philip L. Baca

PHILIP L. BACA
Environmental Engineer

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Encs.

cc: R. L. Stamets
R. Johnson