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Mr. A.J. Andary
Cinnabar Environmental Services
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Edmond, OK 73013

Dear Mr. Andary:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) has received your application, dated July 27, 2004, submitted on behalf of Frontier Field Services, LLC, (Frontier) for a temporary permit to discharge water used to hydrostatically test new pipeline. The NMOCD reference for this permit is HI-092. This request is hereby approved with the following conditions and understandings:

1. The test water will be discharged at two points: 334,000 gallons will be discharged in Section 33, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, and 561,288 gallons will be discharged in Section 29, Township 17 South, Range 31 East. These discharges will take place on or about January 1, 2005.
2. The test water will be discharged at a controlled rate and into a structure that will prevent erosion.
3. The water has been used to hydrostatically test new pipe.
4. Potable water will be used which you have obtained from Caprock Water Company in Eddy County, New Mexico.
5. The discharged fluids will not be allowed to migrate to a water of the state or a water of the U.S.
6. The Bureau of Land Management is the landowner at one of the sites, and the State of New Mexico is the landowner at the other. Each of the discharges will be maintained within the boundaries of their respective properties.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20 NMAC 6.2.3106.B, this approval will allow Frontier to discharge without an approved discharge permit for a period not to exceed 120 days commencing December 1, 2004. Discharge must cease within the 120-day period, or a formal discharge permit will be required. Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20 NMAC 6.2.3114, an application fee (\$100) and a temporary permit fee (\$150) are due at time of application. These fees have been received by NMOCD. If this site is to be used for

more than one discharge, Frontier must make a separate application for the additional discharge.

This approval does not relieve Frontier of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, groundwater, or the environment, nor does it relieve Frontier of its responsibility to comply with any other federal, state or local regulations.

If there are any questions, please contact Ed Martin (505) 476-3492 or emartin@state.nm.us

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger C. Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "A".

Roger C. Anderson
Environmental Bureau Chief

Cc: NMOCD Artesia Office