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Mr. Anthony C. Walker  
ConocoPhillips  
P.O. Box 1267, CB 5675  
Ponca City, OK 74602

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge HI-094  
Section 24, T 16 S, R 33 E, Eddy County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Walker:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the ConocoPhillips request, dated January 13, 2005, for authorization to discharge approximately 19,000 gallons of wastewater from the hydrostatic test of a cleaned tank at the Anderson Ranch station in Eddy County.

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

1. The tank has been cleaned, sandblasted and emptied prior to filling the tank for the hydrostatic test.
2. The tank bottoms were disposed of properly.
3. The sandblast sand will be disposed of properly.
4. The test water will be discharged in Section 24, Township 16 South, Range 33 East and the volume of the discharge will be approximately 19,000 gallons.
5. The test water will be discharged at a controlled rate and into a structure that will prevent erosion.
6. Potable water from a municipal water supply will be used.
7. The discharged fluids will not be allowed to migrate to a water of the state or a water of the U.S.
8. ConocoPhillips Co. and ConocoPhillips Pipe Line Co. are the landowners at the point of discharge. The discharge will be maintained within the boundaries of their property.


Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20 NMAC 6.2.3106.B, this approval will allow ConocoPhillips to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20 NMAC 6.2.3114 an application fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) is due at the time of the permit application submittal and a temporary permission permit fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) is due upon receipt of this approval. Neither the \$100 application fee nor the \$150 temporary permission fee has yet been received and both are due and payable upon

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Roger C. Anderson", written over a horizontal line.

Roger C. Anderson  
Environmental Bureau Chief

cc: NMOCD Artesia Office