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Transwestern Pipeline Company

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January 12, 2007

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Brad Jones New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Environmental Bureau 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Submittal of Signed Copy of Renewed Discharge Plan GW-080

Transwestern Pipeline Company's Thoreau Compressor Station
McKinley County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Jones:

Please find attached a signed copy of the new discharge plan for our Thoreau Compressor Station in McKinley County. A request has been submitted to our Accounts Payable Department to cut a check for the \$1,700.00 fee for the renewal. The check will be sent directly to the address shown in the plan. It should arrive in the next week or two.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me by telephone at (505) 260-4013 or by mail to my attention at the address listed in the letterhead above. Thank you very much for processing this renewal.

Sincerely,

John Steenberg

Division Environmental Specialist

Enclosure: Signed Copy of Discharge Plan GW-080

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cc: Thoreau Compressor Station

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ATTACHMENT TO THE DISCHARGE PERMIT TRANSWESTERN PIPELINE COMPANY, THOREAU COMPRESSOR STATION (GW-080) DISCHARGE PERMIT APPROVAL CONDITIONS January 3, 2007

Please remit a check for \$1700.00 made payable to Water Quality Management Fund:

Water Quality Management Fund C/o: Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

- 1. Payment of Discharge Plan Fees: All discharge permits are subject to WQCC Regulations. Every billable facility that submits a discharge permit application will be assessed a filing fee of \$100.00, plus a renewal flat fee (see WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3114 NMAC). The Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") has received the required \$100.00 filing fee. However, the owner/operator still owes the required \$1700.00 renewal permit fee for a gas compressor station greater than 1001 horsepower.
- 2. Permit Expiration and Renewal: Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3109.H.4 NMAC, this permit is valid for a period of five years. The permit will expire on November 14, 2011 and an application for renewal should be submitted no later than 120 days before that expiration date. Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3106.F NMAC, if a discharger submits a discharge permit renewal application at least 120 days before the discharge permit expires and is in compliance with the approved permit, then the existing discharge permit will not expire until the application for renewal has been approved or disapproved.
- 3. **Permit Terms and Conditions:** Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3104 NMAC, when a permit has been issued, the owner/operator must ensure that all discharges shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of the permit. In addition, all facilities shall abide by the applicable rules and regulations administered by the OCD pursuant to the Oil and Gas Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 70-2-1 through 70-2-38.
- **4. Owner/Operator Commitments:** The owner/operator shall abide by all commitments submitted in its October 4, 2006 discharge permit renewal application, including attachments and subsequent amendments and these conditions for approval. Permit applications that reference previously approved plans on file with the division shall be incorporated in this permit and the owner/operator shall abide by all previous commitments of such plans and these conditions for approval.
- 5. Modifications: WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3109.G NMAC addresses possible future modifications of a permit. Pursuant WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3107.C NMAC, the owner/operator (discharger) shall notify the OCD of any facility expansion, production increase or process modification that would result in any significant modification in the discharge of water contaminants. Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.3109.E NMAC, the Division Director may require a permit modification if any water quality standard specified at 20.6.2.3103

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NMAC is being or will be exceeded, or if a toxic pollutant as defined in WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.7 NMAC is present in ground water at any place of withdrawal for present or reasonably foreseeable future use, or that the Water Quality Standards for Interstate and Intrastate streams as specified in 20.6.4 NMAC are being or may be violated in surface water in New Mexico.

- 6. Waste Disposal and Storage: The owner/operator shall dispose of all wastes at an OCD-approved facility. Only oil field RCRA-exempt wastes may be disposed of by injection in a Class II well. RCRA non-hazardous, non-exempt oil field wastes may be disposed of at an OCD-approved facility upon proper waste determination pursuant to 40 CFR Part 261. Any waste stream that is not listed in the discharge permit application must be approved by the OCD on a case-by-case basis.
- A. OCD Rule 712 Waste: Pursuant to OCD Rule 712 (19.15.9.712 NMAC) disposal of certain non-domestic waste without notification to the OCD is allowed at NMED permitted solid waste facilities if the waste stream has been identified in the discharge permit and existing process knowledge of the waste stream does not change.
- **B.** Waste Storage: The owner/operator shall store all waste in an impermeable bermed area, except waste generated during emergency response operations for up to 72 hours. All waste storage areas shall be identified in the discharge permit application. Any waste storage area not identified in the permit shall be approved on a case-by-case basis only. The owner/operator shall not store oil field waste on-site for more than 180 days unless approved by the OCD.
- 7. **Drum Storage:** The owner/operator must store all drums, including empty drums, containing materials other than fresh water on an impermeable pad with curbing. The owner/operator must store empty drums on their sides with the bungs in place and lined up on a horizontal plane. The owner/operator must store chemicals in other containers, such as tote tanks, sacks, or buckets on an impermeable pad with curbing.
- **8. Process, Maintenance and Yard Areas:** The owner/operator shall either pave and curb or have some type of spill collection device incorporated into the design at all process, maintenance, and yard areas which show evidence that water contaminants from releases, leaks and spills have reached the ground surface.
- **9. Above Ground Tanks:** The owner/operator shall ensure that all aboveground tanks have impermeable secondary containment (e.g., liners and berms), which will contain a volume of at least one-third greater than the total volume of the largest tank or all interconnected tanks. The owner/operator shall retrofit all existing tanks before discharge permit renewal. Tanks that contain fresh water or fluids that are gases at atmospheric temperature and pressure are exempt from this condition.
- **10.** Labeling: The owner/operator shall clearly label all tanks, drums, and containers to identify their contents and other emergency notification information. The owner/operator may use a tank code numbering system, which is incorporated into their emergency response plans.

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11. Below-Grade Tanks/Sumps and Pits/Ponds.

- A. All below-grade tanks and sumps must be approved by the OCD prior to installation and must incorporate secondary containment with leak detection into the design. The owner/operator shall retrofit all existing systems without secondary containment and leak detection before discharge permit renewal. All existing below-grade tanks and sumps without secondary containment and leak detection must be tested annually or as specified herein. Systems that have secondary containment with leak detection shall have a monthly inspection of the leak detection system to determine if the primary containment is leaking. Small sumps or depressions in secondary containment systems used to facilitate fluid removal are exempt from these requirements if fluids are removed within 72 hours.
- B. All pits and ponds, including modifications and retrofits, shall be designed by a certified registered professional engineer and approved by the OCD prior to installation. In general, all pits or ponds shall have approved hydrologic and geologic reports, location, foundation, liners, and secondary containment with leak detection, monitoring and closure plans. All pits or ponds shall be designed, constructed and operated so as to contain liquids and solids in a manner that will protect fresh water, public health, safety and the environment for the foreseeable future. The owner/operator shall retrofit all existing systems without secondary containment and leak detection before discharge permit renewal.
- C. The owner/operator shall ensure that all exposed pits, including lined pits and open top tanks (8 feet in diameter or larger) shall be fenced, screened, netted, or otherwise rendered non-hazardous to wildlife, including migratory birds.
- D. The owner/operator shall maintain the results of tests and inspections at the facility covered by this discharge permit and available for OCD inspection. The owner/operator shall report the discovery of any system which is found to be leaking or has lost integrity to the OCD within 15 days. The owner/operator may propose various methods for testing such as pressure testing to 3 pounds per square inch greater than normal operating pressure and/or visual inspection of cleaned tanks and/or sumps, or other OCD-approved methods. The owner/operator shall notify the OCD at least 72 hours prior to all testing.

12. Underground Process/Wastewater Lines:

- A. The owner/operator shall test all underground process/wastewater pipelines at least once every five (5) years to demonstrate their mechanical integrity, except lines containing fresh water or fluids that are gases at atmospheric temperature and pressure. Pressure rated pipe shall be tested by pressuring up to one and one-half times the normal operating pressure, if possible, or for atmospheric drain systems, to 3 pounds per square inch greater than normal operating pressure, and pressure held for a minimum of 30 minutes with no more than a 1% loss/gain in pressure. The owner/operator may use other methods for testing if approved by the OCD.
- B. The owner/operator shall maintain underground process and wastewater pipeline schematic diagrams or plans showing all drains, vents, risers, valves, underground piping, pipe

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type, rating, size, and approximate location. All new underground piping must be approved by the OCD prior to installation. The owner/operator shall report any leaks or loss of integrity to the OCD within 15 days of discovery. The owner/operator shall maintain the results of all tests at the facility covered by this discharge permit and they shall be available for OCD inspection. The owner/operator shall notify the OCD at least 72 hours prior to all testing.

- 13. Class V Wells: The owner/operator shall close all Class V wells (e.g., septic systems, leach fields, dry wells, etc.) that inject non-hazardous industrial wastes or a mixture of industrial wastes and domestic wastes unless it can be demonstrated that ground water will not be impacted in the reasonably foreseeable future. Leach fields and other wastewater disposal systems at OCD-regulated facilities that inject non-hazardous fluid into or above an underground source of drinking water are considered Class V injection wells under the EPA UIC program. Class V wells that inject domestic waste only, must be permitted by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED).
- 14. Housekeeping: The owner/operator shall inspect all systems designed for spill collection/prevention and leak detection at least monthly to ensure proper operation and to prevent over topping or system failure. All spill collection and/or secondary containment devices shall be emptied of fluids within 72 hours of discovery. The owner/operator shall maintain all records at the facility and available for OCD inspection.
- 15. Spill Reporting: The owner/operator shall report all unauthorized discharges, spills, leaks and releases and conduct corrective action pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20.5.12.1203 NMAC and OCD Rule 116 (19.15.3.116 NMAC). The owner/operator shall notify both the OCD District Office and the Santa Fe Office within 24 hours and file a written report within 15 days.
- **16. OCD Inspections:** The OCD may place additional requirements on the facility and modify the permit conditions based on OCD inspections.
- 17. Storm Water: The owner/operator shall implement and maintain run-on and runoff plans and controls. The owner/operator shall not discharge any water contaminant that exceeds the WQCC standards specified in 20.6.2.3101 NMAC or 20.6.4 NMAC (Water Quality Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Streams) including any oil sheen in any stormwater run-off. The owner/operator shall notify the OCD within 24 hours of discovery of any releases and shall take immediate corrective action(s) to stop the discharge.
- 18. Unauthorized Discharges: The owner/operator shall not allow or cause water pollution, discharge or release of any water contaminant that exceeds the WQCC standards listed in 20.6.2.3101 NMAC or 20.6.4 NMAC (Water Quality Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Streams) unless specifically listed in the permit application and approved herein. <u>An</u> unauthorized discharge is a violation of this permit.
- 19. Vadose Zone and Water Pollution: The owner/operator shall address any contamination through the discharge permit process or pursuant to WQCC 20.6.2.4000-.4116 NMAC (Prevention and Abatement of Water Pollution). The OCD may require the owner/operator to modify its permit for investigation, remediation, abatement, and monitoring requirements for any vadose zone

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or water pollution. Failure to perform any required investigation, remediation, abatement and submit subsequent reports will be a violation of the permit.

- 20. Additional Site Specific Conditions: N/A
- 21. **Transfer of Discharge Permit:** The owner/operator shall notify the OCD prior to any transfer of ownership, control or possession of a facility with an approved discharge permit. The purchaser shall submit a written commitment to comply with the terms and conditions of the previously approved discharge permit and shall seek OCD approval prior to transfer.
- 22. Closure: The owner/operator shall notify the OCD when operations of the facility are to be discontinued for a period in excess of six months. Prior to closure of the facility, the operator shall submit a closure plan for approval. Closure and waste disposal shall be in accordance with the statutes, rules and regulations in effect at the time of closure.
- 23. Certification: Certification: Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC, by the officer whose signature appears below, accepts this permit and agrees to comply with all submitted commitments, including these terms and conditions contained herein. Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC further acknowledges that the OCD may, for good cause shown, as necessary to protect fresh water, public health, safety, and the environment, change the conditions and requirements of this permit administratively.

Conditions accepted by:

Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC

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Company Representative- signature

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Representative-signature Date 1/12/07
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF CHECK/CASH

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- 13. <u>Spill Reporting:</u> All spills/releases will be reported pursuant to OCD Rule 116 and WQCC 1203 to the OCD Aztec District Office.
- 14. <u>Transfer of Discharge Plan:</u> The OCD will be notified prior to any transfer of ownership, control, or possession of a facility with an approved discharge plan. A written commitment to comply with the terms and conditions of the previously approved discharge plan must be submitted by the purchaser and approved by the OCD prior to transfer.
- 15. Storm Water Plan: The facility will have an approved storm water run-off plan.
- 16. Closure: The OCD will be notified when operations of the San Juan Compressor Station are discontinued for a period in excess of six months. Prior to closure of the San Juan Compressor Station, the Director will submit a closure plan for approval. Closure and waste disposal will be in accordance with the statutes, rules and regulations in effect at the time of closure.
- 17. Conditions accepted by: Transwestern Pipeline Co., by the officer whose signature appears below, accepts this permit and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained herein. Transwestern Pipeline Co. further acknowledges that these conditions and requirements of this permit may be changed administratively by the Division for good cause shown as necessary to protect fresh water, human health and the environment.

Transwestern	Pipeline Co.
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NEW EXICO ENERGY, MERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Director
Oil Conservation Division

June 12, 2001

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. 5357-7850

Mr. Larry Campbell Transwestern Pipeline Co. 6381 North Main Roswell, NM 88201

RE:

Discharge Plan Renewal GW-080 Transwestern Pipeline Co. Thoreau Compressor Station McKinley County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Campbell

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The ground water discharge plan renewal application GW-080 for the Transwestern Pipeline Co. Thoreau Compressor Station located in the SE/4 of Section 20, Township 14 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico, is hereby approved under the conditions contained in the enclosed attachment. Enclosed are two copies of the conditions of approval. Please sign and return one copy to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) Santa Fe office within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. Please note new mailing address below.

The discharge plan renewal application letter, dated March 20, 2001, submitted pursuant to Section 3106 of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulations includes all earlier applications and all conditions later placed on those approvals. The discharge plan is renewed pursuant to Section 3109.C. Please note Section 3109.G, which provides for possible future amendment of the plan. Please be advised that approval of this plan does not relieve Transwestern Pipeline Co. of responsibility should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does it relieve Transwestern Pipeline Co. of its responsibility to comply with any other governmental authority's rules and regulations.

Please be advised that all exposed pits, including lined pits and open tanks (exceeding 16 feet in diameter) shall be screened, netted or otherwise rendered nonhazardous to wildlife including migratory birds.

Please note that Section 3104 of the regulations provides: "When a plan has been approved, discharges must be consistent with the terms and conditions of the plan." Pursuant to Section 3107.C, Transwestern Pipeline Co. is required to notify the Director of any facility expansion, production increase or process modification that would result in any change in the discharge of water quality or volume.

Pursuant to Section 3109.H.4, this renewal plan is for a period of five years. This renewal will expire on November 14, 2006, and Transwestern Pipeline Co. should submit an application in ample time before this date. Note that under Section 3106.F of the regulations, if a discharger submits a discharge plan renewal application at least 120 days before the discharge plan expires and is in compliance with the approved plan, then the existing discharge plan will not expire until the application for renewal has been approved or disapproved

The discharge plan renewal application for the Transwestern Pipeline Co. Thoreau Compressor Station is subject to WQCC Regulation 3114. Every billable facility submitting a discharge plan application will be assessed a filing fee of \$100.00. There is a renewal flat fee assessed for gas compressor station facilities with horsepower rating greater than 1,000 horsepower of \$1,700.00. The OCD has received the filing fee. The renewal fee is due upon receipt of this approval.

On behalf of the staff of the OCD, I wish to thank you and your staff for your cooperation during this discharge plan review.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Anderson

Chief, Environmental Bureau Oil Conservation Division

RCA/eem Attachment

Xc: OCD Aztec Office

ATTACHMENT TO THE DISCHARGE PLAN RENEWAL GW-080 TRANSWESTERN PIPELINE CO. THOREAU COMPRESSOR STATION DISCHARGE PLAN APPROVAL CONDITIONS June 12, 2001

- 1. Payment of Discharge Plan Fees: The \$100.00 filing fee has been received by the OCD. There is a required flat fee for natural gas compressor stations with horsepower rating greater than 1,000 horsepower. The renewal flat fee required for this facility is \$1,700.00 which may be paid in a single payment due at the time of approval, or in equal annual installments over the duration of the discharge plan, with the first payment due upon receipt of this approval. All checks are to be made payable to Water Quality Management Fund and forwarded to the OCD Santa Fe Office. Please note new mailing address on letterhead.
- 2. <u>Commitments:</u> Transwestern Pipeline Co. will abide by all commitments submitted in the discharge plan renewal application letter dated March 20, 2001 and these conditions for approval.
- 3. Waste Disposal: All wastes will be disposed of at an OCD approved facility. Only oilfield exempt wastes shall be disposed of down Class II injection wells. Non-exempt oilfield wastes that are non-hazardous may be disposed of at an OCD approved facility upon proper waste determination per 40 CFR Part 261. Any waste stream that is not listed in the discharge plan will be approved by OCD on a case-by-case basis.
- 4. <u>Drum Storage</u>: All drums containing materials other than fresh water must be stored on an impermeable pad with curbing. All empty drums will be stored on their sides with the bungs in and lined up on a horizontal plane. Chemicals in other containers such as sacks or buckets will also be stored on an impermeable pad and curb type containment.
- 5. <u>Process Areas:</u> All process and maintenance areas which show evidence that leaks and spills are reaching the ground surface must be either paved and curbed or have some type of spill collection device incorporated into the design.
- 6. <u>Above Ground Tanks:</u> All above ground tanks which contain fluids other than fresh water must be bermed to contain a volume of one-third more than the total volume of the largest tank or of all interconnected tanks. All new tanks or

existing tanks that undergo a major modification, as determined by the Division, must be placed within an impermeable bermed enclosure.

- 7. <u>Above Ground Saddle Tanks:</u> Above ground saddle tanks must have impermeable pad and curb type containment unless they contain fresh water or fluids that are gases at atmospheric temperature and pressure.
- 8. <u>Labeling:</u> All tanks, drums and containers will be clearly labeled to identify their contents and other emergency notification information.
- 9. <u>Below Grade Tanks/Sumps:</u> All below grade tanks, sumps, and pits must be approved by the OCD prior to installation or upon modification and must incorporate secondary containment and leak-detection into the design. All pre-existing sumps and below-grade tanks must demonstrate integrity no later than July 31, 2001 and every year from tested date thereafter. Permittees may propose various methods for testing such as pressure testing to 3 pounds per square inch above normal operating pressure and/or visual inspection of cleaned out tanks and/or sumps, or other OCD approved methods. The OCD will be notified at least 72 hours prior to all testing. Transwestern Pipeline Co. will retain records of test results for OCD inspection upon request.
- 10. <u>Underground Process/Wastewater Lines:</u> All underground process/wastewater pipelines must be tested to demonstrate their mechanical integrity no later than July 31, 2001 and every five (5) years thereafter. Permittees may propose various methods for testing such as pressure testing to 3 pounds per square inch above normal operating pressure or other means acceptable to the OCD. The OCD will be notified at least 72 hours prior to all testing. Transwestern Pipeline Co. will retain records of test results for OCD inspection upon request.
- 11. <u>Class V Wells</u>: No Class V wells that inject non-hazardous industrial wastes or a mixture of industrial wastes and domestic wastes will be closed unless it can be demonstrated that groundwater will not be impacted in the reasonably foreseeable future. Leach fields and other wastewater disposal systems at OCD regulated facilities which inject non-hazardous fluid into or above an underground source of drinking water are considered Class V injection wells under the EPA UIC program. Class V wells that inject domestic waste only must be permitted by the New Mexico Environment Department.
- 12. <u>Housekeeping:</u> All systems designed for spill collection/prevention will be inspected weekly and after each storm event to ensure proper operation and to prevent overtopping or system failure. A record of inspections will be retained on site for a period of five years.

- 13. <u>Vadose Zone and Water Pollution:</u> The previously submitted investigation and remediation plans were submitted pursuant to the discharge plan and all future discoveries of contamination will be addressed through the discharge plan process.
- 14. Spill Reporting: All spills/releases will be reported pursuant to OCD Rule 116 and WQCC 1203 to the OCD Aztec District Office.
- 15. <u>Transfer of Discharge Plan:</u> The OCD will be notified prior to any transfer of ownership, control, or possession of a facility with an approved discharge plan. A written commitment to comply with the terms and conditions of the previously approved discharge plan must be submitted by the purchaser and approved by the OCD prior to transfer.
- 16. <u>Storm Water Plan:</u> The facility will have an approved storm water run-off plan. This plan must be retained at the site for OCD inspection upon request.
- 17. Closure: The OCD will be notified when operations of the Thoreau Compressor Station are discontinued for a period in excess of six months. Prior to closure of the Thoreau Compressor Station, the Director will submit a closure plan for approval. Closure and waste disposal will be in accordance with the statutes, rules and regulations in effect at the time of closure.
- 18. <u>Conditions accepted by:</u> Transwestern Pipeline Co., by the officer whose signature appears below, accepts this permit and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained herein. Transwestern Pipeline Co. further acknowledges that these conditions and requirements of this permit may be changed administratively by the Division for good cause shown as necessary to protect fresh water, human health and the environment.

Transwestern Pipeline Co.

Print Name:	 	
Signature:		
Title:		
Date:		





ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

June 11, 1996

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-765-963-116

Mr. Larry Campbell Division Environmental Specialist Transwestern Pipeline Company 6381 North Main Roswell, NM 88201

RE: Approval of Discharge Plan GW-80

Renewal

Thoreau Compressor Station McKinley County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Campbell:

The discharge plan renewal GW-80 for the Transwestern Pipeline Company Thoreau Compressor Station located in SE/4, Section 20, Township 14 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico, is hereby approved under the conditions contained in the enclosed attachment. The discharge plan renewal consists of the following items: The renewal application letter dated April 12, 1996 from Transwestern Pipeline Company, the discharge plan approval letter from OCD dated November 14, 1991, the inspection report from OCD dated May 31, 1996, and this renewal approval with conditions from OCD dated June 11, 1996. Enclosed are two copies of the conditions of approval. Please sign and return one copy to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) Santa Fe Office within five working days of receipt of this letter.

The discharge plan renewal application was submitted pursuant to Section 3106 of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations. Please note Sections 3109.E and 3109.F which provide for possible future amendments or modifications of the plan. Please be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve **Transwestern Pipeline Company** of liability should the operations associated with this facility result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment.

Please be advised that all exposed pits, including lined pits and open top tanks (tanks exceeding 16 feet in diameter), shall be screened, netted, or otherwise rendered nonhazardous to wildlife including migratory birds.

Mr. Larry Campbell Transwestern Pipeline Company GW-80 Renewal Page 2 June 11, 1996

Please note that Section 3104 of the regulations requires that "When a plan has been approved, discharges must be consistent with the terms and conditions of the plan." Pursuant to Section 3107.C Transwestern Pipeline Company is required to notify the Director of any facility expansion, production increase, or process modification that would result in any change in the discharge of water quality or volume.

Pursuant to Section 3109.G.4, this plan is for a period of five (5) years. This approval will expire November 14, 2001, and an application for renewal should be submitted in ample time before that date. It should be noted that all discharge plan facilities will be required to submit plans for, or the results of, an underground drainage testing program as a requirement for discharge plan renewal.

The discharge plan renewal for the Transwestern Pipeline Company Thoreau Compressor Station GW-80 is subject to the WQCC Regulation 3114 discharge plan fee. Every billable facility submitting a discharge plan will be assessed a fee equal to the filing fee of fifty dollars (\$50) plus the flat fee of six-hundred and ninety dollars (\$690) for Compressor Stations over 3,000 horsepower filing for renewal of existing discharge plans.

The \$50 filing fee has been received by the OCD. The flat fee for an approved discharge plan has not been received by the OCD.

On behalf of the staff of the Oil Conservation Division, I wish to thank you and your staff for your cooperation during this discharge plan review.

Sincerely,
William J. LeMay
Director
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Attachment

Mr. Denny Foust

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Mr. Larry Campbell Transwestern Pipeline Company GW-80 Renewal Page 3 June 11, 1996

ATTACHMENT TO DISCHARGE PLAN GW-80 RENEWAL Transwestern Pipeline Company - Thoreau Compressor Station DISCHARGE PLAN REQUIREMENTS

(June 11, 1996)

- 1. Payment of Discharge Plan Fees: The \$690 flat fee shall be submitted upon receipt of this approval. The required flat fee may be paid in a single payment due at the time of approval, or in equal annual installments over the duration of the plan, with the first payment due upon receipt of this approval.
- 2. Transwestern Pipeline Company Commitments: Transwestern Pipeline Company will abide by all commitments submitted in the renewal application letter dated April 12, 1996 from Transwestern Pipeline Company, the discharge plan approval letter from OCD dated November 14, 1991, the inspection report from OCD dated May 31, 1996, and this renewal approval with conditions from OCD dated June 11, 1996.
- 3. <u>Drum Storage</u>: All drums containing materials other than fresh water must be stored on an impermeable pad and curb type containment. All empty drums should be stored on their sides with the bungs in place and lined up on a horizontal plane. Chemicals in other containers such as sacks or buckets should also be stored on an impermeable pad and curb type containment.
- 4. <u>Process Areas</u>: All process and maintenance areas which show evidence that leaks and spills are reaching the ground surface must be either paved and curbed or have some type of spill collection device incorporated into the design.
- 5. Above Ground Tanks: All above ground tanks which contain fluids other than fresh water must be bermed to contain a volume of one-third more than the total volume of the largest tank or of all interconnected tanks. All new facilities or modifications to existing facilities must place the tank on an impermeable type pad.
- 6. Above Ground Saddle Tanks: Above ground saddle tanks must have impermeable pad and curb type containment unless they contain fresh water or fluids that are gases at atmospheric temperature and pressure.

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- 7. Tank Labeling: All tanks should be clearly labeled to identify their contents and other emergency information necessary if the tank were to rupture, spill, or ignite.
- 8. <u>Below Grade Tanks/Sumps</u>: All below grade tanks, sumps, and pits must be approved by the OCD prior to installation or upon modification and must incorporate secondary containment and leak-detection into the design. All pre-existing sumps and below-grade tanks that do not have secondary containment and leak detection must demonstrate integrity on an annual basis. Integrity tests include pressure testing to 3 pounds per square inch above normal operating pressure and/or visual inspection of cleaned out tanks /or sumps.
- 9. <u>Underground Process/Wastewater Lines</u>: All underground process/wastewater pipelines must be tested to demonstrate their mechanical integrity at present and then every 5 years there after. Companies may propose various methods for testing such as pressure testing to 3 pounds per square inch above normal operating pressure or other means acceptable to the OCD.
- 10. **Housekeeping**: All systems designed for spill collection/prevention should be inspected to ensure proper operation and to prevent overtopping or system failure.

Any contaminated soils that are collected at the facility will be tested for hazardous constituents, and after receiving OCD approval, will be disposed of at an OCD approved site.

- 11. **Spill Reporting**: All spills/releases shall be reported pursuant to OCD Rule 116 and WQCC 1203 to the Aztec OCD District Office at (505)-334-6178.
- 12. **Transfer of Discharge Plan:** The OCD will be notified prior to any transfer of ownership, control, or possession of a facility with an approved discharge plan. A written commitment to comply with the terms and conditions of the previously approved discharge plan must be submitted by the purchaser and approved by the OCD prior to transfer.
- 13. Closure: The OCD will be notified when operations of the facility are discontinued for a period in excess of six months. Prior to closure of the facility a closure plan will be submitted for approval by the director. Closure and waste disposal will be in accordance with the statutes, rules and regulations in effect at the time of closure.

14.	Conditions accepted by:		
	- •	Company Representative	Date
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