

**GW - 163**

**PERMITS,  
RENEWALS,  
& MODS  
Application**

**Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD**

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**From:** Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 22, 2008 4:53 PM  
**To:** 'Klein, Elisabeth A'  
**Cc:** Price, Wayne, EMNRD  
**Subject:** FW: DCP Midstream, LP Status of Discharge Plans (Active, Inactive & Closed) & Other Miscellaneous Discharge Plans  
**Attachments:** GW-150 DP.tif

Elisabeth:

Re: DCP Midstream LP Letter of January 31, 2007 Renewal of Expired Discharge Plans as Requested by Carl Chavez & Other DP's currently being processed

Hi. Please find below the status of the DP's, etc. that were included in the above referenced letter.

1) Pure Gold "28" CS (GW-150): The permit expired on 11/22/2003 and is still active. Our records reflect a draft permit was issued to ConocoPhillips (COP) on January 23, 2004, but the final permit was never signed and returned to OCD with the \$1,700 flat fee. Please find attached a copy of the permit (COP), please sign and return the final permit with the \$1,700 to OCD. We apologize for the changes; however, considering the situation, it is the most expedient means of resolving the discharge plan for the facility.

2) Rambo C.S. (formerly Avalon Gas Plant) (GW-24): The permit expired on 9/18/2005 and is listed as inactive. According to your letter the OCD received the pit closure reports and analytical results required by the OCD's April 7, 2004 approval letter and were provided in your letter. The OCD requests to know the status of operations at the facility? Does DCP Midstream, LP wish to close the facility? If so, the OCD needs a closure plan. The OCD requires inactive facilities to submit a closure plan, unless it plans to continue operations, which will require a discharge plan renewal.

3) Apex C.S. (GW-163): Currently in litigation.

4) Hobbs Gas Plant (GW-175) currently in litigation.

5) Eunice Gas Plant (GW-16): According to OCD records GW-009 and GW-016 were merged into GW-16. The permit expires 4/25/2009 and is active. No action needed at this time.

6) CP-1 C.S. (GW-139): The permit was closed.

7) Indian Hills Gas Plant (GW-42): OCD records indicate that the facility is inactive. The OCD requests the status of the facility and if it is inactive, we request a closure plan. The OCD will be conducting an inspection of this facility.

**Discharge Plan Renewals processed tomorrow are:**

1) Hobbs Booster Station (GW -44): OCD records indicate that the facility is active with an expiration date of 12/27/2007. A \$100 filing fee was received and determined to be administratively complete and OCD will issue public notice, a draft discharge plan, and administratively complete letter on its website tomorrow. The facility is closed and only remediation activities are ongoing at present.

2) Magnum C.S. (GW-127): OCD records indicate that the facility is active with an expiration date of 2/3/2008. A \$100 filing fee was received and determined to be administratively complete and OCD will issue public notice, a draft discharge plan, and administratively complete letter on its website tomorrow.

3) Carrasco C.S. (GW-137): OCD records indicate that the facility is active with an expiration date of 4/28/2008.

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A \$100 filing fee was received and determined to be administratively complete and OCD will issue public notice, a draft discharge plan, and administratively complete letter on its website tomorrow.

4) Pardue C.S. (GW-288): OCD records indicate that the facility is active with an expiration date of 11/24/2007. A \$100 filing fee was received and determined to be administratively complete and OCD will issue public notice, a draft discharge plan, and administratively complete letter on its website tomorrow. DCP Midstream, LP is in the process of completing a closure plan and will submit it prior to completion of closure.

**DCP Midstream, LP Discharge Plans awaiting final signature of discharge plan with \$1,700 final fee:**

1) Northeast Carlsbad C.S. (GW-280)

**Miscellaneous Discharge Plans:**

1) Lee C.S. (GW-227): The permit expired on 12/28/2005 and is listed as inactive. Also, our records show LG&E Hadson Gillespie/Feagan C.S. for the facility name. According to an OCD e-mail msg. dated 12/21/2006, and DPC correspondence dated 12/28/2006, the facility was going to remain inactive and a closure plan was to be submitted to permanently close the facility. Upon receipt of the closure plan info. and verification that no contamination exists at the facility, and some photos to display what the site currently looks like, the OCD was going to consider closure of the facility. The OCD requests to know the status of operations at the facility?

Please provide me with an update on each of the above items and contact me if you have questions. Thank you.

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**From:** Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 17, 2008 2:27 PM  
**To:** 'Klein, Elisabeth A'  
**Subject:** Northeast Carlsbad Compressor Station (GW-280) Signed Discharge Plan w/ \$1,700.00 Renewal Fee

Ms. Klein:

Good afternoon. I am now working on DCP Midstream L.P. applications, etc.

NMOCD records show that we never received the final signed DP for GW-280 (NE Carlsbad C.S.) with the \$1,700.00 renewal fee. NMOCD mailed a letter with the attached final discharge plan for DCP Midstream L.P.'s signature and remittance w/ final payment; however, we did not receive it. Please locate the final discharge plan that was dated June 13, 2007, sign it, and remit it to me with the final \$1,700.00 renewal fee so we may update our records and finalize the permit at this facility.

I have been in receipt of DCP Midstream L.P. Discharge Plans (GWs-24, 44, 127, 137, 150, and 288). I am planning to process them by next Wednesday, January 23, 2008. I will let you know if I need anything based on my review.

Please contact me if you have questions. Thank you.

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**ATTACHMENT TO THE DISCHARGE PLAN GW-163 APPROVAL**  
**LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co., Apex Compressor Station**  
**DISCHARGE PLAN APPROVAL CONDITIONS**  
**August 14, 2000**

1. Payment of Discharge Plan Fees: The OCD has received the \$50.00 filing and \$690.00 renewal flat fee.
2. Commitments: LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co. will abide by all commitments submitted in the discharge plan renewal letter and application dated March 10, and March 13, 2000, respectively, and these conditions for approval.
3. Drum Storage: All drums containing materials other than fresh water must be stored on an impermeable pad with curbing. 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 must also be stored on an impermeable pad with curbing.
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11. Housekeeping: All systems designed for spill collection/prevention, and leak detection will be inspected daily to ensure proper operation and to prevent over topping or system failure. All spill collection and/or secondary containment devices will be emptied of fluids within 48 hours of discovery.
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18. Certification: **LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co.** by the officer whose signature appears below, accepts this permit and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained herein. **LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing 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.

Conditions accepted by: **LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co.**

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Company Representative- print name

*[Signature]* Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Representative- Sign

Title *Director of Facility*



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

GARY E. JOHNSON

Governor

Jennifer A. Salisbury

Cabinet Secretary

August 14, 2000

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

Oil Conservation Division

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

**RETURN RECEIPT NO. 5051 5109**

J.R. Delaney  
LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co.  
921 West Sanger  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

**RE: Discharge Plan Renewal GW-163  
LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co.  
Apex Compressor Station  
Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Delaney:

The groundwater discharge plan renewal application GW-163 for the LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co. Apex Compressor Station located in the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea 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 10 working days of receipt of this letter.**

The original discharge plan application was submitted on March 10, 1994 and approved on April 29, 1994 with an expiration date of April 29, 1999. The discharge plan renewal letter and application dated March 10, and March 13, 2000, respectively, submitted pursuant to Section 3106 of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulations also 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 LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co. of liability should operations result in pollution of surface or ground waters, or the environment. Please be advised that all exposed pits, including lined pits and open top 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 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., LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing 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 approval is for a period of five years. **This approval will expire April 29, 2004** and an application for renewal should be submitted in ample time before that date. Pursuant to 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. 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 application for the LG&E Natural Gathering and Processing Co., Apex Compressor Station is subject to the WQCC Regulation 3114. Every billable facility submitting a discharge plan will be assessed a fee equal to the filing fee of \$50 plus a renewal flat fee of \$ 690.00 for natural gas compressor stations. The OCD has received the \$50.00 filing and \$ 690.00 renewal flat fee.

If you have any questions, please contact Wayne Price of my staff at (505-827-7155). 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  
Environmental Bureau Chief

RCA/lwp

Attachment-1

xc: OCD Hobbs Office

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Company Representative- print name

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Company Representative- Sign

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State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

**DISCHARGE PLAN APPLICATION FOR NATURAL GAS PROCESSING PLANTS,  
OIL REFINERIES AND GAS COMPRESSOR STATIONS**

*(Refer to OCD Guidelines for assistance in completing the application.)*

- I. TYPE: Compressor Station (Renewal GW-163)
- II. OPERATOR: LG&E Natural  
ADDRESS: 921 West Sanger, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240  
CONTACT PERSON: Ed Sloman PHONE: 505-393-2153
- III. LOCATION: SE/4 NE/4 Section 36 Township 18S Range 36E  
Submit large scale topographic map showing exact location.
- IV. ~~NO CHANGES~~  
~~Attach the name and address of the landowner(s) of the disposal facility site.~~
- V. Attach description of the facility with a diagram indicating location of fences, pits, dikes, and tanks on the facility.
- VI. Attach a description of sources, quantities and quality of effluent and waste solids.
- VII. Attach a description of current liquid and solid waste transfer and storage procedures.
- VIII. Attach a description of current liquid and solid waste disposal procedures.
- IX. Attach a routine inspection and maintenance plan to ensure permit compliance.
- X. Attach a contingency plan for reporting and clean-up of spills or releases.
- XI. Attach geological/hydrological evidence demonstrating that disposal of oil field wastes will not adversely impact fresh water. Depth to and quality of ground water must be included.
- XII. Attach such other information as is necessary to demonstrate compliance with any other OCD rules, regulations and/or orders.
- XIII. CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name: John R. Delaney

Title: General Manager

Signature: 

Date: 3-13-00

DISTRIBUTION: Original and one copy to Santa Fe with one copy to appropriate Division District Office.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. [REDACTED] dated 3/13/00,  
or cash received on \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ 50.00  
from Llano Inc.  
for Apex C.S. GW-#3163  
Submitted by: [Signature] Date: 3-17-00  
Submitted to ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Filing Fee ☒ New Facility \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_  
Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2000

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment ☒ or Annual Increment \_\_\_\_\_

**LLANO, INC.**

BOX 1320  
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88240

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HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88240

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CHECK DATE	CHECK NO.
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CHECK AMOUNT
\$ 50.00*****

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

Water Quality Management Fund  
State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Division

LLANO, INC. - GENERAL ACCOUNT

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