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Mr. Tony Savoie Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Company

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RE: CLOSURE REPORT TNM-97-11 SPILL SITE

Dear Mr. Savoie:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Company's (TNMPLC) December 9, 1998 "CLOSURE REPORT, TNM-97-11, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, JOB NO. 710020" which was submitted on behalf of TNMPLC by their consultant KEI. These documents request closure of remedial actions resulting from a crude oil pipeline spill at TNMPLC's TNM-97-11 site.

The above referenced closure request is **approved**. Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve TNMPLC of liability if remaining contamination poses a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve TNMPLC of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and regulations

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-7154.

Sincerely,

William C. Olson

Hydrologist

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