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May 20, 1996

Mr. Earnest Richarte
Texas New Mexico Pipeline Co.
P.O. Box 1027
Lovington, NM 88260

Re: Texas New Mexico Beeson Station Closure Report

Dear Mr. Richarte;

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of TNMPL Co. 64-95 closure report for the Beeson Station pipeline leak.

Based upon the information in the above referenced document and the OCD's May 8, 1996 inspection of the facility, the remedial actions conducted to date are approved.

Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve Texas New Mexico of liability should remaining contaminants pose a future threat to ground water, surface water, public health or the environment. In addition OCD does not relieve TNM of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 505-748-1283.

Yours Truly,



D. Ray Smith
Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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