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Mr. John A. Harju
Energy & Environmental Research Center
University of North Dakota
15 North 23rd Street
P.O. Box 9018
Grand Forks: North Dakota 58202-9018

RE: MONITOR WELL PUMP TEST DISCHARGE TAPP LS-3 AND FEE NO.8 LEASE SITES SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Harju:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has reviewed your September 1, 1993 correspondence requesting authorization for onsite discharge of ground water from pump tests of monitor wells on the Tapp LS-3 and Fee No.8 lease sites.

Based upon the water quality analyses provided, the above referenced request is approved with the following condition:

1. Water will not be discharged to any "waters of the United States".

Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve you of liability should this discharge result in actual pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve you 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) 827-5885.

Sincerely,

William C. Olson Hydrogeologist

Environmental Bureau

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September 1, 1993

Mr. Roger Anderson Environmental Bureau Chief New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Dear Roger:

As part of a research project sponsored by the Gas Research Institute and U.S. Department of Energy, I would like to conduct pumping tests in shallow groundwater monitoring wells on two oil lease sites in the Farmington, New Mexico area and discharge the water on-site. Results of previous analyses of major and minor ions in groundwater samples from the sites have indicated water qualities that should allow for considering surface disposal of the groundwater generated during the pumping tests. I have also sampled the monitor wells for subsequent purge and trap analyses, with BTEX compounds quantified, and the results of these analyses indicate no concentrations above their respective detection limits. The following tables provide a summary of the locations of the two leases and groundwater quality observed thus far.

Tapp LS-3 Mesa Verde and Pictured Cliffs Dual Completion SW 1/4 Sec. 15, T. 28 N, R. 8 W., San Juan County, New Mexico

<u>Parameter</u>	Concentration, mg/L
Na	140
K	1.5
Ca	490
Mg	30
Fe	< 0.20
SO_4	1500
NO ₃	< 1.0
PO_4	< 1.0
CI	9.7
HCO ₃ Alkalinity	251
Mn	< 0.05
Si	7.4
Sr	7.3
Al	< 1.0
Hg	< 0.001
Benzene	< 0.005
Toluene	< 0.005
Ethylbenzene	< 0.005
Total Xylenes	< 0.015
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Mr. Anderson/2 September 1, 1993

Fee No. 8 Mesa Verde and Pictured Cliffs Dual Completion NE 1/4 Sec. 8, T. 30 N., R. 11 W., San Juan County, New Mexico

<u>Parameter</u>	Concentration (mg/L)
Na	36
K	4.3
Ca	220
Mg	21
Fe	< 0.20
SO ₄	350
NO_3	< 1.0
PO ₄	< 1.0
Cl	30
HCO₃ Alkalinity	362
Mn	0.26
Si	5.6
Sr	2.5
Al	< 1.0
Hg	< 0.001
Benzene	< 0.005
Toluene	< 0.005
Ethylbenzene	< 0.005
Total Xylenes	< 0.015

I hope to conduct the pumping tests during the month of October, with your approval. Should you have any questions, require further information, or would simply like to discuss this matter further, please feel free to give me a call, at any time, at (701) 777-5208.

Sincerely,

John A. Harju

Geologist

Groundwater & Waste Management

JAH/skr

c: Frank Beaver, EERC Craig Schmit, EERC David Charlton, EERC

Mr. Denny Foust New Mexico OCD

> As we discussed by phone on Monday, June 22, 1992, I have installed several monitor wells at an Amoco Production Co. Site near Blanco, NM. These wells are part of on groundwater research program funded by the Gas Research Institute and the U.S. Department of Energy. The site name is tapp 45+3, located in section 15 of Township 28 N, Range 8 W. CWNership of the wells rosts with the Energy and Environmental Research Center located in 6 and Forks, ND. should you need to contact me, for any reason, I can be contacted at the following address.

> > Mr. John Harju UND Energy and Environmental Research Center Box 8213 University Station Grand Forks I North Dakote 38202

> > > Sincerely,

John May

(701) 777 - 5208

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