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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. 5051-3594

Mr. Tommy H. Arnwine
Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas
P.O. Box 525
Sonora, Texas 76950

RE: FINAL SAN JUAN BASIN PIT CLOSURE REPORTS

Dear Mr. Arnwine:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas' (LDNG) July 26, 2000 "MILES FEDERAL #1E, SECTION 05, T26N, R07W, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO", July 24, 2000 "MKL #2-R, SECTION 5, T26N, R07W, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO", and January 17, 2000 "FEDERAL 6-32, SECTION 6, T26N, R07W, SW/NE, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO". These documents contain the results of the closure of unlined oil and gas production pits at the three well sites in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The pit closure/soil remediation activities conducted at the sites listed below are **approved**.

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| 1. | Federal 6-32 (separator pit) | Unit O, Sec. 06, T26N, R07W |
| 2. | Miles Federal #1E (separator pit) | Unit N, Sec. 05, T26N, R07W |
| 3. | MKL #2R (separator pit) | Unit N, Sec. 05, T26N, R07W |

Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve LDNG of liability if remaining contaminants are found to pose a future threat to surface water, ground water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve LDNG of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, tribal or local laws and regulations.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Will Olson", written in a cursive style.

William C. Olson
Hydrologist
Environmental Bureau

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