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**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-559-572-913**

Ms. Kathy Juckes  
PNM Gas Services  
P.O. Box 4750  
Farmington, NM 87499

**RE: FINAL SAN JUAN BASIN PIT CLOSURE REPORTS**

Dear Ms. Juckes:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of PNM Gas Services' (PNM) November 1, 1999 "OCD PIT CLOSURE REPORTS – 3RD REPORTING QUARTER 1999". This document contains "PIT REMEDIATION AND CLOSURE REPORTS" for 7 unlined pits in the San Juan Basin at which ground water contamination was discovered. The document requests closure of the sites since ground water has been remediated to below New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) standards as demonstrated in 4 consecutive quarterly sampling events at each site. The document also contains PNM's proposed monitoring well plugging and abandonment procedures.

The pit closure/remediation activities and the proposed monitor well plugging and abandonment proposals for the sites listed below are **approved**.

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| 1. Florance #32A (Inactive pit)   | Unit F, Sec. 15, T30N, R08W |
| 2. Jacquez #2A (Dehy pit)         | Unit D, Sec. 25, T30N, R09W |
| 3. Linda #1A (Abandoned pit)      | Unit D, Sec. 31, T27N, R08W |
| 4. Mangum #1E (Dehy pit)          | Unit F, Sec. 27, T29N, R11W |
| 5. McClanahan #22 (Separator pit) | Unit G, Sec. 14, T28N, R10W |
| 6. McCoy Gas Com A#1 (Dehy pit)   | Unit H, Sec. 18, T31N, R10W |
| 7. Reid #16 (Drip pit)            | Unit L, Sec. 18, T28N, R09W |

Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve PNM 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 PNM 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 cursive script, appearing to read 'Will Olson', written in dark ink.

William C. Olson

Hydrologist

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