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### APPROVALS

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO



ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 S. PACHECO SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87505 (505) 827-7131

August 26, 1996

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-269-269-195

Mr. Phil Emig Questar Energy Company P.O. Box 2330 Farmington, New Mexico 87499

#### RE: LINDRITH #19 WELL SITE QUESTAR ENERGY COMPANY

Dear Mr. Emig:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of Questar Energy Company's (QEC) July 3, 1996 "NMOCD LETTER TO QUESTAR ENERGY COMPANY DATED JUNE 10, 1996, LINDRITH #19 WELL" and March 22, 1996 "QUESTAR ENERGY COMPANY'S LINDRITH #19 WELL LOCATION, SEC 9, T26N, R7W" which were submitted on behalf of QEC by their consultant Contract Environmental Services, Inc. These documents contain the results of QEC's investigation of the extent of ground water contamination related to use of an unlined production pit and a proposed remediation plan for QEC's Lindrith #19 well site located in Unit A, Sec. 09, T26N, R07W NMPM Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The above referenced investigation/remediation work plan is approved with the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to the OCD issuing final closure for the site, QEC will submit the following items to the OCD for approval:
  - a. The analytical results of a ground sample from the currently contaminated source area which shows that the ground water in the source area has been remediated to New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) standards. The ground water from the source area will be sampled and analyzed for concentrations of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene (BTEX), major cations and anions, heavy metals and nitrates using EPA approved methods.
  - b. A completed "PIT REMEDIATION AND CLOSURE REPORT" for the site which contains the results of all soil closure actions including remediation of contaminated soils.

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2. All documents submitted for approval will be submitted to the OCD Santa Fe Office with copies provided to the OCD Aztec District Office.

Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve QEC of liability if contamination exists which is beyond the scope of the work plan or if the activities fail to adequately remediate contamination related to QEC's activities. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve QEC of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and/or regulations.

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

Sincerely,

William C. Olson Hydrogeologist Environmental Bureau

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 S. Pacheco

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

November 6, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-765-962-508

Mr. Phil Emig Questar Energy Company P.O. Box 2330 Farmington, New Mexico 87499

### RE: LINDRITH #19 WELL SITE QUESTAR ENERGY COMPANY

Dear Mr. Emig:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed Questar Energy Company's (QEC) October 16, 1995 "GROUNDWATER ACTION PLAN, LINDRITH #19, SEC 9, T26N, R7W, UNIT LETTER (A)" which was submitted on behalf of QEC by their consultant Contract Environmental Services, Inc. This document contains QEC's work plan for investigation of the extent of ground water contamination related to use of an unlined production pit at QEC's Lindrith #19 well site located in Unit A, Sec. 09, T26N, R07W NMPM Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The above referenced investigation work plan is approved with the following conditions:

- 1. Ground water from the trenches will be sampled and analyzed for concentrations of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene (BTEX), major cations and anions, heavy metals and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons using EPA approved methods.
- 2. Any wastes generated will be disposed of at an OCD approved facility.
- 3. QEC will submit a report on the investigation to the OCD by January 12, 1996. The report will contain:
  - a. A description of all activities which occurred during the investigation, conclusions and recommendations.
  - b. A summary of the laboratory analytic results of water quality sampling.
- 4. All documents submitted for approval will be submitted to the OCD Santa Fe Office with copies provided to the OCD Aztec District Office.

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Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve QEC of liability if contamination exists which is beyond the scope of the work plan or if the activities fail to adequately determine the extent of contamination related to QEC's activities. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve QEC of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and/or regulations. يتنغن

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