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Mr. William V. Palmer New Mexico Salt Water Disposal Company PO Box 1719 Lovington, NM 88260

RE: Injection Pressure Increase

Disposal Permit: SWD-735Formation: San AndresContinental State Well No. 1API: 30-025-22551Unit F, Sec 18, T10S, R34E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Palmer:

Reference is made to your request on behalf of New Mexico Salt Water Disposal Company (OGRID 15878) to increase the maximum allowed surface tubing pressure on the above named well.

This well was permitted by the Division for water disposal into the San Andres formation by Division administrative permit SWD-735 approved January 19, 1999. The Division records show that permit was protested by Yates Petroleum Corporation who allowed the permit with the stipulation that surface injection pressures remain below 500 psi. The permit was issued with 500 psi as maximum allowed pressure.

Until such time as Yates Petroleum Corporation formally withdraws this limitation and until the Division receives another application for disposal from the operator of this well and issues an amended permit, the requested injection pressure increase must be denied.

Sincerely,

JAMI BAILEY Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs District Office Files: SWD-735

