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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 04, 2011 5:37 PM  
**To:** 'Jason Henry'  
**Cc:** Gonzales, Elidio L, EMNRD; Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; Griswold, Jim, EMNRD; 'Jeffrey P Dann'; Wayne E Roberts  
**Subject:** Groundwater Monitoring Wells Plugging Request Approval - (BW-12) Plains Brine Well Saline #1 (API #30-025-12803-00-00) Facility

**RE: Groundwater Monitoring Wells Plugging Request  
for the Plains Marketing's  
Brine Well Saline #1 (API #30-025-12803-00-00) Facility (BW-12)  
Section 36, T18S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Groundwater Monitoring Wells Plugging Request Approval**

Dear Mr. Henry:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Plains Marketing's report and request to plug the groundwater monitoring wells, MW-1 and MW-2, at the above-referenced site (dated August 30, 2011). The report is acceptable to the OCD. Therefore, the OCD hereby approves the request to plug the groundwater monitoring wells, MW-1 and MW-2, at the above-referenced site. However, the material used to plug the groundwater monitoring wells at the site must be a cement grout with 1% to 3% bentonite or other material approved by the OCD. Please submit to the OCD a final plugging report within 90 days of receipt of this notice.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this request does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility should operations pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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