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NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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February 7, 2008

Mr. Bruce Gillick
MarkWest New Mexico L.P.
1515 Arapahoe Street
Tower 2, Suite 700
Denver, Colorado 80202-2126

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Discharge Permit HI-108
MarkWest New Mexico L.P. Pipeline Project
SE ¼, SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 37 East, NMPM,
Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Gillick:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the MarkWest New Mexico L.P.'s (MarkWest) revised notice of intent (NOI) submitted on MarkWest's behalf by CH2M HILL, dated November 12, 2007, for authorization to discharge approximately 195,000 gallons of wastewater from a hydrostatic test of approximately 3.25 miles of a new 16-inch natural gas pipeline that extends between the Hobbs Power Plant and the existing Northern Natural Gas Company pipeline, approximately 9.5 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico. The proposed discharge site is along the pipeline right-of-way located within Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is **hereby approved** with the following understandings and conditions:

1. MarkWest will be testing the pipeline section from milepost 0.00 to milepost 3.16, approximately 3.25 miles of a new 16-inch natural gas pipeline that extends between the Hobbs Power Plant and the existing Northern Natural Gas Company pipeline, approximately 9.5 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.
2. Source of the hydrostatic test water will be obtained from the Eunice, NM municipal supply.
3. Hydrostatic test water generated from the test will be temporarily stored within the pipeline. Best management practices will be implemented to prevent the release of any hydrostatic test wastewater.
4. MarkWest will secure a sample from the south end of the pipeline Station 0+00 opposite end of the pipeline in which the test water entered and immediately analyzes it at a certified laboratory.
5. All analyzes of samples from wastewater generated from the test must not exceed the standards as set forth in Subsections A, B, and C of the 20.6.2.3103 NMAC.

6. Test results will be sent to the OCD for review and subsequent approval or disapproval for the test water to be discharged along the MarkWest pipeline right of way.
7. If final discharge of the test water is not approved by the OCD, MarkWest will transport the hydrostatic test water to Sundance Services Waste Facility in Eunice, New Mexico.
8. If final discharge of the wastewater is approved, the discharge shall occur along the pipeline right-of-way located within Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
9. If final discharge of the wastewater is approved, no hydrostatic test water generated from the test will be discharged to groundwater or be allowed to exit the right of way.
10. If final discharge of the wastewater is approved, no discharge shall occur:
 - a. where ground water is less than 10 feet below ground surface.
 - b. within 200 feet of a watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole or playa lake;
 - c. within an existing wellhead protection area;
 - d. within, or within 500 feet of a wetland; or
 - e. within 500 feet from the nearest permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church;

It is understood that the hydrostatic test will begin approximately February 7, 2008. **This permit will expire in 120 calendar days from the proposed start date of February 7, 2008.**

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

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Brad A. Jones at (505) 476-3487 or brad.a.jones@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,



Wayne Price
Environmental Bureau Chief

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Cc: OCD District I Office, Hobbs, NM
Jeff Keiser, Project Manager, CH2M HILL, Milwaukee, WI 53214



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Jones, Brad A., EMNRD

From: Jones, Brad A., EMNRD
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2008 7:06 PM
To: 'Jeff.Keiser@CH2M.com'
Cc: BGillick@markwest.com
Subject: RE: MarkWest New Mexico L.P. Hydrostatic Test Notice
Attachments: HI-108 Permit.pdf

Jeff,

Thanks for providing the display ads and letter.

Bruce,

A hardcopy of the attached permit will be mailed tomorrow. If you have any questions, I will be in the office next Monday and part of Tuesday. Have a great weekend.

Brad

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From: Jeff.Keiser@CH2M.com [mailto:Jeff.Keiser@CH2M.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2008 12:45 PM
To: Jones, Brad A., EMNRD
Cc: BGillick@markwest.com
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Attached is a copy of the letter sent to Bruce Alene Carlin Est. for notice of the MarkWest Pipeline Project. The same text was used in all letters sent to the landowners to notice the project. Also enclosed is the Affidavit for publication of the notice in the Hobbs Sun.

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact me at the number listed below.

2/26/2008

Thanks JK

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