

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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El Paso Exploration Company 1800 Wilco Building Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: William J. Cates, Senior Production Engineer

Step Rate Test and request for increase in injection pressure for El Paso Exploration Co., Moberly "C" No. 3 Injection Well (Order No. WFX-537), Moberly Rhodes Waterflood Project, Rhodes (Yates-Seven Rivers) Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Cates:

I have completed a review of your request to increase the maximum allowable surface injection pressure on the subject well. An analysis of the step-rate data submitted and telephone discussions with you have led me to the conclusion that 800 PSIG will be an adequately safe maximum surface injection pressure for your Moberly "C" No. 3 Injection Well. A small safety factor has been subtracted from the approved injection limit.

Future additional pressure limit increases will require additional step-rate test data. Should you have any questions concerning this approval call me at 827-5807 in Santa Fe.

Sincerely,

Dillet P. Quintana

GILBERT P. QUINTANA
UIC Director/Petroleum Engineer

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cc: R. L. Stamets, Division Director
Hobbs District Office
WFX-537 File