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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. WFX-631

*APPLICATION OF GREENHILL PETROLEUM CORPORATION TO EXPAND ITS
WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE LOVINGTON PADDOCK POOL IN LEA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO*

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

Under the provisions of Division Order No. R-3124, Greenhill Petroleum Corporation has made application to the Division on March 20, 1992, for permission to expand its Lovington Paddock Unit Waterflood Project in the Lovington Paddock Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.

THE DIVISION DIRECTOR FINDS THAT:

- (1) The application has been filed in due form.
- (2) Satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.
- (3) An objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701(B), but has been satisfactorily resolved with the party filing the objection.
- (4) The proposed injection wells are eligible for conversion to injection under the terms of Rule 701.
- (5) The proposed expansion of the above referenced Waterflood Project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
- (6) The application should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The applicant, Greenhill Petroleum Corporation, be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Paddock formation at approximately 6078 feet to approximately 6285 feet through 2 3/8 inch plastic lined tubing set in a packer in the wells shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto located within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforations for purposes of secondary recovery to wit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

The operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

Prior to commencing injection operations into the wells, the casing in each well shall be pressure tested from the surface to the packer setting depth to assure the integrity of said casing.

The casing-tubing in each well annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

The injection wells or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to no more than .2 psi/ft. of depth to the uppermost perforation, as shown on Exhibit "A".

The Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said wells that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Paddock formation. Such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

The operator shall notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment and of the mechanical integrity tests so that the same may be inspected and witnessed.

The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in said wells and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

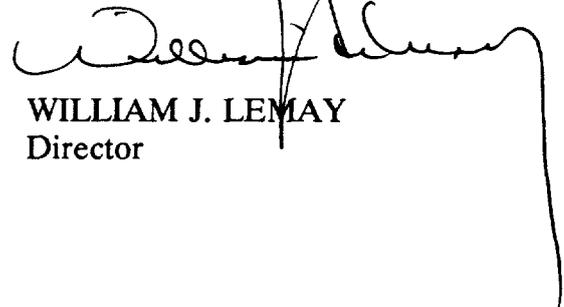
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The subject well shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-3124, as amended and Rules 702-706 of the Division Rules and Regulations not inconsistent herewith.

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT, jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Division for the entry of such further order or orders as may be deemed necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of the operator to conduct operations in a manner which will ensure the protection of fresh water or in a manner inconsistent with the requirements set forth in this order, the Division may, after notice and hearing, terminate the injection authority granted herein.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 21st day of April, 1992.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



WILLIAM J. LEMAY
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs

EXHIBIT "A"
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LOVINGTON PADDOCK UNIT
APPROVED INJECTION WELLS

<i>Well Number</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>S-T-R</i>	<i>Injection Perforations or Open Hole</i>	<i>Packer Depth</i>	<i>Tubing Size</i>	<i>Injection Pressure</i>
LPU NO. 26	2310' FSL & 2160' FEL	J	31-16S-37E	6110' to 6252'	6010'	2 3/8"	1222 PSIG
LPU NO. 35	810' FSL & 810' FEL	P	31-16S-37E	6078' to 6262'	5978'	2 3/8"	1216 PSIG
LPU NO. 43	660' FSL & 460' FEL	P	35-16S-36E	6093' to 6285'	5993'	2 3/8"	1219 PSIG
LPU NO. 63	1980' FSL & 990' FWL	L	1-17S-36E	6088' to 6250'	5988'	2 3/8"	1218 PSIG
LPU NO. 65	2310' FSL & 2310' FEL	J	1-17S-36E	6100' + to 6262' +	6000' +	2 3/8"	1220 PSIG +
LPU NO. 69	2173' FSL & 2173' FEL	J	6-17S-37E	6104' to 6262'	6004'	2 3/8"	1221 PSIG

All in Lea County, New Mexico