

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

January 2, 1996

Conoco, Inc.
10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W
Midland, Texas 79705-4500

Attn: Mr. Jerry Hoover

**RE: Injection Pressure Increase MCA Unit Pressure
Maintenance Project, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Hoover:

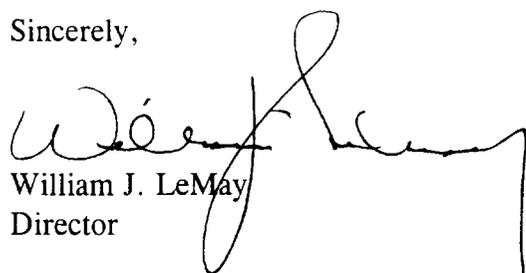
Reference is made to your request dated November 17, 1995 to increase the surface injection pressure on three wells in the above referenced pressure maintenance project. This request is based on a step rate tests conducted on October 19 and 20, 1995. The results of the test have been reviewed by my staff and we feel an increase in injection pressure on these wells is justified at this time.

You are therefore authorized to increase the surface injection pressure on the following wells:

Well and Location	Maximum Injection Surface Pressure
MCA Unit Well No.280, Unit Letter H, Section 28	1898 PSIG
MCA Unit Well No.282, Unit Letter B, Section 27	1770 PSIG
MCA Unit Well No.311, Unit Letter C, Section 2	2560 PSIG
All located in Township 17 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.	

The Division Director may rescind this injection pressure increase if it becomes apparent that the injected water is not being confined to the injection zone or is endangering any fresh water aquifers.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
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