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SONAT EXPLORATION

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July 28, 1997

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attention: Mr. David Catanach

RE: Amendment to SWD Order-485
Littlefield Federal No. 1 SWD
Unit Letter B, Section 11, T-24S, R-31E
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach,

Enclosed is Sonat Exploration Company's application to amend SWD Order-485 including Form C-108 and all supporting documents as required for the above captioned well. Also included is proof of notice to the surface owner, surface tenant and all offset leasehold operators and proof of publication.

Sonat is requesting administrative approval be granted to amend the original SWD Order to allow the Littlefield Federal No. 1 to be deepened to 6500'. Sonat's recent drilling activity in the area has increased disposal requirements and deepening the subject well will increase SWD injectivity.

Your prompt consideration in this matter would be greatly appreciated. If you require further information or have any questions, please call me at (915) 684-0415.



Todd W. Moehlenbrock
Senior Petroleum Engineer

TWM/s
Attachments

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Interested parties must file objections or request for hearing with the Oil Conservation Division, P.O. Box 2088, Santa Fe, NM, 87501 within 15 days of this notice.

Barbara Ann Boers

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