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May 16, 1994

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-210**

Mr. Richard Duarte, P.E.  
El Paso Natural Gas Company  
3801 Atrisco Blvd. NW  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge  
Cibola County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Duarte:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your request, dated May 5, 1994, for authorization to discharge approximately 500,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a 15,840 foot section of new pipeline (No. 1300 Pipeline) near Grants, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The test water will be discharged into an irrigation ditch located in the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 19, Township 12 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, Cibola County, New Mexico.
2. The pipe must be new and never used for oil and/or gas transmission.
3. Fresh water will be used to conduct the test.

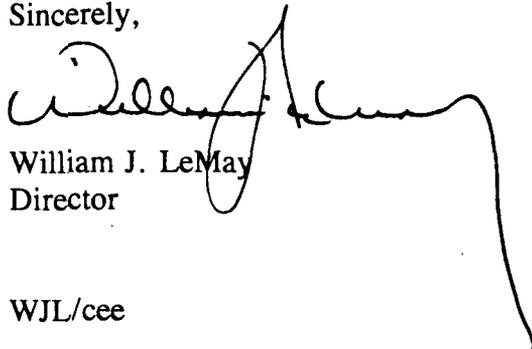
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

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Please be advised that this approval does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Chris Eustice at (505) 827-5824.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William J. LeMay', with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/cee

xc: OCD Aztec Office