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Sandoval County

Martyne Kieling

From: Martyne Kieling
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 1997 5:11 PM
To: 'jferrai@mail.pnm.com'; Mailer-Daemon
Subject: RE: Request for Permit to Discharge Hydrostatic Test Water
Importance: High

November 19, 1997

Ms. Jean Arya
PNM

Re: Discharge of Hydrostatic Test Waters

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received PNM's E-Mail dated November 19, 1997 requesting authorization to discharge approximately 680,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic testing of a section of new pipe located in Section 25, Township 14 North, Range 1 West, NMPM. The landowners written permission has been obtained.

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

1. The hydrostatic test waters will be discharged into a holding (evaporation) pond on private, King Ranch property in Section 25, Township 14 North, Range 1 West, NMPM.
2. All water discharged to the pond will be retained in the pond with adequate freeboard to prevent overtopping of the berm. No fluid will be allowed to be discharged or leaked from the pond onto the surrounding land.
3. The water to be used in the test will be potable water.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3106.B, this approval will allow PNM to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If more than one hydrostatic test water discharge occurs, or the permitted discharge volume is exceeded, another application must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a discharge plan must be submitted to for review.

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve PNM of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve PNM of liability for compliance with other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call me at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,



original signed copy is on file in the OCD Santa Fe Environmental Bureau Offices.

Martyne J. Kieling
Environmental Geologist

From: Mailer-Daemon[SMTP:Mailer-Daemon@sunshine.pnm.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 1997 12:33 PM
To: mkieling
Subject: FW: Request for Permit to Discharge Hydrostatic Test Water

Ms. Kieling,

I just spoke with Mr. Roger Anderson about this request. He told me that not only could he not access his e-mail, but that you are now responsible for these permits.

I apologize for the ridiculously short notice. The field personnel called me only after the water was already in the pipe. I will be repeating my training class, and distributing more information leaflets in the very near future.

Please call if you have any questions,

Thanks,
Jean Arya
Environmental Scientist
PNM
241-4954

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> From: Arya, Jean
> Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 1997 12:21 PM
> To: 'Roger Anderson, OCD'
> Subject: Request for Permit to Discharge Hydrostatic Test Water
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> Public Service Company of New Mexico, Gas Services (PNMGS) requests
> permission to discharge water used in a hydrostatic test as follows:
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> Quantity: 680,000 gallons
> Quality: potable water from the City of Rio Rancho
> Pipe: all new, never used for gas or oil transportation
> Groundwater: is at approximately 400 feet
> Location: T14N, R1W, S25
> Proposed date: November 21, 1997
> Discharge to: holding (evaporation) pond on private property.
> Permission obtained from Bill King on behalf of the
> King Ranch.
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> A hard copy of this request will be mailed for your files.
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> Thanks,
> Jean Arya
> 241-4954
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Roger Anderson

From: Roger Anderson
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 1997 1:23 PM
To: JArya
Subject: RE: Test for BTEX in gas line

The proposed hydro test discharge is approved as proposed.

Roger C. Anderson
Environmental Bureau Chief

From: JArya[SMTP:JArya@mail.pnm.com]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 1997 10:27 AM
To: randerson
Cc: RJohnso2; DKIRKLA; DOcalla; TRistau
Subject: Test for BTEX in gas line
Importance: High

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On Friday, March 7, I tested the seven foot piece of 20" pipe that had been removed from the Santa Fe Mainline II pipeline, as discussed in my e-mail to you of March 6, and subsequent phone conversation.

- The pipe was held off the ground at about a 15 degree slope from horizontal. A new, rinsed, 5-gallon bucket was placed just under the lower end.
- Two and a half gallons of de-ionized water was sprayed, without aeration, from a new, rinsed, garden sprayer. Every area of the interior of the pipe was washed down with the stream of water. This was a slow process, so the last two gallons were poured slowly through the pipe. The water was collected at the lip of the pipe in the clean bucket.
- While the water from the bucket was poured gently into another container, three 40 ml VoA vials, preserved with HCl, were filled from the flow. There were no bubbles in the samples, which were transported, on ice, to an analytical lab.
- No sheen on the surfaces, rainbow colors, or oil was observed at any time in the process.
- The samples were analyzed for BTEX by EPA method 8020.

The results of analysis show non-detect except for .5 mg/L toluene, and .6 mg/L xylene. As these results are below (better than) the WQCC Human Health Standards for ground water, we plan to discharge the water used in a hydrostatic test of Santa Fe Mainline II in accordance with our general permit. In addition, the discharge will be through hay bales, per your instructions.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Arya
241-4954



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505
(505) 827-7131

November 21, 1996

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-326-936-257

Ms. Jean Arya
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Alvarado Square MS 0408
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge
New Pipeline
Sandoval County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Arya:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Public Service Company of New Mexico request, dated November 13, 1996, for authorization to discharge approximately 565,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of new pipeline. The proposed location for the discharge is into the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District Bernalillo Ditch located in Section 29, Township 13 North, Range 4 East, NMPM, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

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

1. Permission will be obtained from the landowner(s) prior to discharge.
2. The test water will be discharged onto the ground in a manner to prevent erosion.
3. The pipe must be new and never previously used for oil and/or gas transmission.
4. Fresh water will be used to conduct the test.
5. All discharged fluids will not be allowed to enter a water of the U.S..

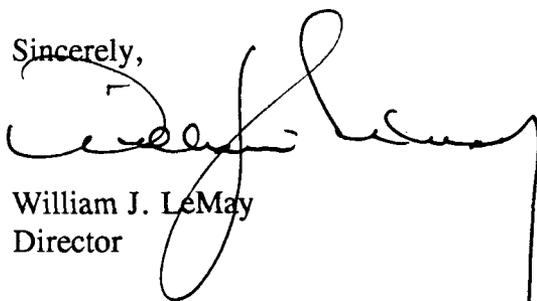
Ms. Jean Arya
November 21, 1996
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Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow Public Service Company of New Mexico to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve Public Service Company of New Mexico of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve Public Service Company of New Mexico of liability for compliance with other laws and/or regulation.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-7152.

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/rca

xc: OCD Santa Fe District Office

Roger Anderson

From: Roger Anderson
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 1996 2:06 PM
To: Claudette Bonham
Subject: RE: Request for permit to discharge hydrostatic test water - Santa Fe Mainline Phase II

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) denies authorization for the requested hydrostatic test water discharge. The request is to discharge into a water of the US and will also require a NPDES Permit or authorization from US EPA Region 6. Once authorization is obtained from EPA the OCD will continue to process your request.

/s/ Roger C. Anderson
Environmental Bureau Chief

From: Claudette Bonham[SMTP:legalnet@usa.net]
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 1996 1:41 PM
To: randerson
Subject: Request for permit to discharge hydrostatic test water - Santa Fe Mainline Phase II

Dear Mr. Anderson:

In accordance with Oil Conservation Division Guidelines for Hydrostatic Test Dewatering, and with Section 1-201 of the Water Quality Control Commission Regulations, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Gas Services, submits this request for permission to discharge the following hydrostatic test water.

Project name Santa Fe Mainline, Phase II
Date of test between November 15 and December 15, 1996
Location T13N R4E S29
Source of test water United Water New Mexico, Rio Rancho
 OR Town of Bernalillo Utilities
Quality of test water Potable
Volume 565,000 gallons
Disposal To be released into the MRGCD Bernalillo Ditch
 (permission obtained)
Length of pipe 6.9 miles
 All pipe is new and unused

Please note that the location for this test may vary slightly. United Water and the town of Bernalillo have several fire hydrants near the pipeline, and our contractor will select the most convenient. We may also conduct one or more smaller tests (under 100,000 gallons) under similar conditions. These will be included on our annual report.

If you have any questions about this request please contact Jean Arya at 241-4954, or reply to this e-mail.

Sincerely,
Jean Arya
Environmental Scientist

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

November 8, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-765-962-589

Ms. Jean Arya, Environmental Scientist
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Alvarado Square, MS 0408
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge**
Santa Fe Main Line Project

Dear Ms. Arya:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Public Service Company of New Mexico's (PSCNM) request dated November 7, 1995, and supplemental information dated July 10, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 825,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic testing of a nine and four-tenths (9.4) mile section of new pipeline located in Sandoval County, New Mexico.

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

1. Permission will be obtained from the landowner(s) prior to discharge.
2. The test water will be discharged onto the ground after first passing through hay bales to prevent erosion and/or disbursed as irrigation water.
3. The pipe must be new and never previously used for oil and/or gas transmission.
4. Fresh water will be used to conduct the test.

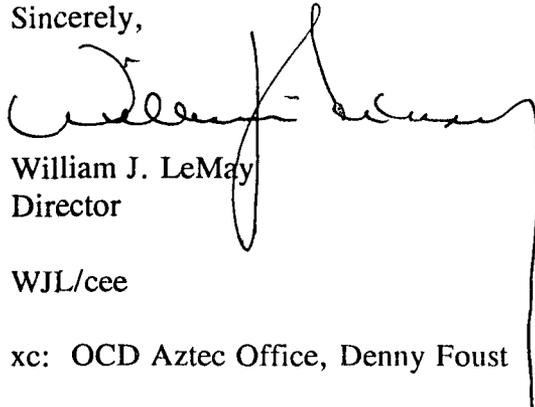
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow PSCNM to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge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

Ms. Arya
November 8, 1995
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If there are any questions, please call Chris Eustice at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/cee

xc: OCD Aztec Office, Denny Foust

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

July 21, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-163

Ms. Jean Arya, Environmental Scientist
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Alvarado Square, MS 0408
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge**
Santa Fe Main Line Project

Dear Ms. Arya:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Public Service Company of New Mexico's (PSCNM) request dated June 29, 1995, and supplemental information dated July 10, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 825,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic testing of a nine and four-tenths (9.4) mile section of new pipeline located in Sandoval County, New Mexico.

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

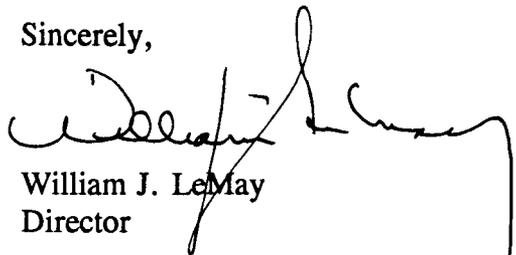
1. The test water will be discharged into the United Water New Mexico sewer system.
2. The pipe must be new and never previously used for oil and/or gas transmission.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow PSCNM 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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If there are any questions, please call Chris Eustice at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/cee

xc: OCD Aztec Office, Denny Foust

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

July 7, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-159

Ms. Jean Arya, Environmental Scientist
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Alvarado Square, MS 0408
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge**
Santa Fe Main Line Project

Dear Ms. Arya:

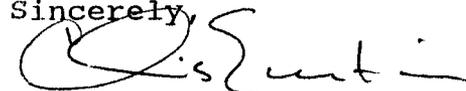
The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received and is in the process of reviewing the request to discharge hydrostatic test water dated June 29, 1995 for the above-referenced project. The following comments and requests for additional information are based upon the OCD's review of the request.

1. Is this pipe new, has the pipe ever been in contact with hydrocarbons?
2. What length of pipe will be tested?
3. If this is used pipe, propose a method to contain the fluids pending outcome of a hazardous waste characterization (TCLP).

Submission of the above requested information will allow the review process to continue. If you have any questions please call me at (505) 827-7153.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,



Chris Eustice
Ms. Environmental Geologist

xc: Roy Johnson, OCD Santa Fe Office