

GW - 254

**PERMITS,
RENEWALS,
& MODS
Application**



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Cabinet Secretary

July 15, 2005

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.
Director
Oil Conservation Division

Ms. Robin DeLapp
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Alvarado Square
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87458-2104

**RE: Animas Compressor Station Closure Approval
San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Delapp:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) received the request from Public Service Company of New Mexico for discontinuance of the discharge permit (GW-254) and permanent closure of the Animas Compressor Station located in the SE/4 of Section 15, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. The subsequent workplan was approved and the results of soil sampling was received by the OCD. **Based upon the information provided in the closure report, dated July 8, 2005, the site is hereby approved for closure.**

This OCD decision does not relieve Public Service Company of liability should it be found in the future that the former operation of the facility resulted in contamination of surface waters, ground waters or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve Public Service Company of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this matter contact Mr. W. Jack Ford at (505)-476-3489.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Anderson.
Environmental Bureau, OCD

cc: OCD Aztec District Office

ATTACHMENT TO THE DISCHARGE PLAN RENEWAL GW-254
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO
ANIMAS COMPRESSOR STATION
DISCHARGE PLAN APPROVAL CONDITIONS
(October 29, 2001)

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17. Certification: Public Service Company of New Mexico, by the officer whose signature appears below, accepts this permit and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained herein. Public Service Company of New Mexico further acknowledges that these conditions and requirements of this permit may be changed administratively by the Division for good cause shown as necessary to protect fresh water, human health and the environment.

Accepted:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO

by 
Title
Vice President, Operations
and Engineering

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
811 South First, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Revised January 24, 2001

Submit Original
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1 Copy to Appropriate
District Office

DISCHARGE PLAN APPLICATION FOR SERVICE COMPANIES, GAS PLANTS, REFINERIES, COMPRESSOR, GEOTHERMAL FACILITIES AND CRUDE OIL PUMP STATIONS

(Refer to the OCD Guidelines for assistance in completing the application)

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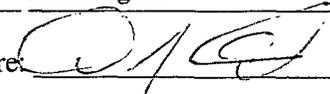
Renewal

Modification

1. Type: Animas Compressor Station
2. Operator: Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM)
Address: Alvarado Square, Albuquerque, NM 87158
Contact Person: D.J. Engert, Compressor Plant Manager Phone: (505) 241-4512
3. Location: SE 1/4 /4 _____ /4 Section 15 Township 29N Range 13W
Submit large scale topographic map showing exact location.
4. Attach the name, telephone number and address of the landowner of the facility site. *(No Change)*
5. Attach the description of the facility with a diagram indicating location of fences, pits, dikes and tanks on the facility. *(No Change)*
6. Attach a description of all materials stored or used at the facility. *(No Change)*
7. Attach a description of present sources of effluent and waste solids. Average quality and daily volume of waste water must be included. *(No Change)*
8. Attach a description of current liquid and solid waste collection/treatment/disposal procedures. *(See Attached Item 8, Revised)*
9. Attach a description of proposed modifications to existing collection/treatment/disposal systems. *(No Change)*
10. Attach a routine inspection and maintenance plan to ensure permit compliance. *(No Change)*
11. Attach a contingency plan for reporting and clean-up of spills or releases. *(No Change)*
12. Attach geological/hydrological information for the facility. Depth to and quality of ground water must be included. *(No Change)*
13. Attach a facility closure plan, and other information as is necessary to demonstrate compliance with any other OCD rules, regulations and/or orders. *(No Change)*
14. CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name: D. J. Engert

Title: Compressor Plant Manager

Signature: 

Date: 08/22/01

Item 8 (Revised)*Attach a description of current liquid and solid waste collection/treatment/disposal procedures.*

<i>Type of Waste</i>	<i>Collection</i>	<i>Storage</i>	<i>Hauled by</i>	<i>Disposal</i>
Condensate	Above ground 2-inch Steel lines	TK-1	An approved trucking company	TnT surface disposal facility
Washdown water	Above ground 2-inch Steel pipe	TK-1	An approved trucking company	TnT surface disposal facility
Used filters	Drained into 55-gal. drums	Removed as generated	PNM to service center where drained into used oil tank and crushed	Waste Management hauls to San Juan County Landfill
Used oil	Drained into 55-gal. drums	Removed as generated	PNM to service center where drained into used oil tank	Mesa Environmental removes to its facility for recycling
Sorbent Materials And rags	Drained into 55-gal. drums	Removed as generated	PNM to service center	Waste Management hauls to San Juan County Landfill
Solid waste	None onsite	Removed as generated	PNM to service center	Waste Management hauls to San Juan County Landfill

TnT Construction Inc., Rio Arriba County, NM, OGRID#22099, 505-774-6663

Mesa Environmental Inc., 7329 Bradburn, Denver, CO 80030

San Juan County Regional Landfill, #78 County Road 3140, Farmington, NM 505-334-1121



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October 29, 2001

Lori Wrotenbery
Director
Oil Conservation Division

CERTIFIED MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT NO. 3929 6870

Mr. D. J. Engert
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Alvarado Square
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

**RE: Discharge Plan Renewal Approval GW-254
Public Service Company of New Mexico
Animas Compressor Station
San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Engert:

The ground water discharge plan renewal GW-254 for the Public Service Company of New Mexico Animas Compressor Station located in the SE/4 of Section 15, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, **is hereby approved** under the conditions contained in the enclosed attachment. Enclosed are two copies of the conditions of approval. **Please sign and return one copy to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) Santa Fe Office within 30 days of receipt of this letter.**

The original discharge plan application was submitted on July 8, 1996 and approved September 5, 1996. The discharge plan renewal application, dated August 22, 2001, was submitted pursuant to Sections 5101.B.3. of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulations. The discharge plan is renewed pursuant to Sections 5101.A. and 3109.C. Please note Section 3109.G., which provides for possible future amendment of the plan. Please be advised that approval of this plan does not relieve Public Service Company of New Mexico of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment.

Please be advised that all exposed pits, including lined pits and open tanks (tanks exceeding 16 feet in diameter), shall be screened, netted, or otherwise rendered nonhazardous to wildlife including migratory birds.

Please note that Section 3104 of the regulations provides: "When a plan has been approved, discharges must be consistent with the terms and conditions of the plan." Pursuant to Section 3107.C., Public Service Company of New Mexico is required to notify the Director of any facility expansion, production increase, or process modification that would result in any change in the discharge of water quality or volume.

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Pursuant to Section 3109.H.4., this discharge plan is for a period of five years. This plan will expire on **September 5, 2006**, and Public Service Company of New Mexico should submit an application in ample time before this date. Note that under Section 3106.F. of the regulations, if a discharger submits a discharge plan renewal application at least 120 days before the discharge plan expires and is in compliance with the approved plan, then the existing discharge plan will not expire until the application for renewal has been approved or disapproved. It should be noted that all discharge plan facilities will be required to submit the results of an underground drainage testing program as a requirement for discharge plan .

Public Service Company of New Mexico will submit a storm water run-off plan for approval by the OCD within six (6) months of the date of this approval letter for the Animas Compressor Station.

The discharge plan application for the Public Service Company of New Mexico Animas Compressor Station is subject to WQCC Regulation 3114. Every billable facility submitting a discharge plan application will be assessed a non-refundable fee equal to the filing fee of \$100. There is a flat fee assessed for natural gas compressor stations with horsepower rating less than 1000 horsepower equal to \$400.00. The OCD has received the filing fee.

**Please make all checks payable to: Water Management Quality Management Fund
C/o: Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505.**

If you have any questions please contact Mr. W. Jack Ford at (505) 476-3489. On behalf of the staff of the OCD, I wish to thank you and your staff for your cooperation during this discharge plan review.

Sincerely,


Roger C. Anderson
Chief, Environmental Bureau
Oil Conservation Division

RCA/wjf
Attachment

xc: OCD Aztec Office

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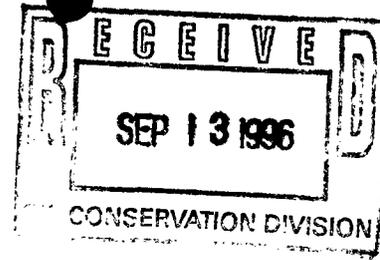
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO

by _____
Title

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PNMGS - Animas Compressor Station
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(September 5, 1996)**

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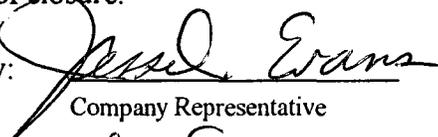
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13. **New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Inspections:** Additional requirements may be placed on the facility based upon results from New Mexico Oil Conservation Division inspections.

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15. **Conditions accepted by:**


Company Representative 9/5/96
Date

Title



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
2040 S. PACHECO
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87505
(505) 827-7131

P 288 258 609

September 5, 1996

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RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-288-258-609

Mr. Jessie D. Evans
Compression Manager
Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNMGS)
603 W. Elm St.
Farmington, NM 87499

RE: Approval of Discharge Plan GW-254
Animas - Compressor Station
San Juan County, New Mexico

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The discharge plan application was submitted pursuant to Section 3106 of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations. Please note Sections 3109.E and 3109.F which provide for possible future amendments or modifications of the plan. Please be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve PNMGS of liability should the operations associated with this facility result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment.

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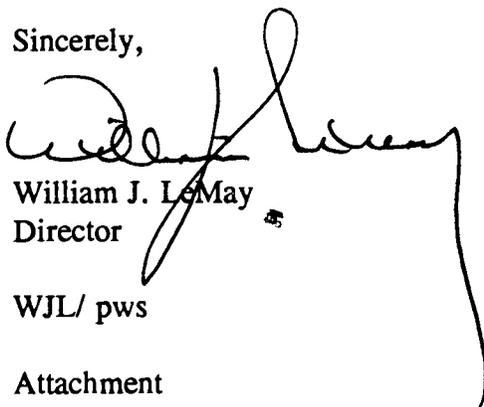
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On behalf of the staff of the Oil Conservation Division, I wish to thank you and your staff for your cooperation during this discharge plan review.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/ pws

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xc: Mr. Denny Foust - Environmental Geologist

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11. **Spill Reporting:** All spills/releases shall be reported pursuant to OCD Rule 116 and WQCC 1203 to the Aztec OCD District Office at (505)-334-6178.

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15. **Conditions accepted by:** _____
Company Representative Date

Title

GW - 254

**GENERAL
CORRESPONDENCE**

YEAR(S):

1996 - 2005

Ford, Jack, EMNRD

From: Ford, Jack, EMNRD
Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2005 9:28 AM
To: rdelapp@pnm.com
Subject: Closure work plan

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If you have any questions please contact me at (505) 476-3489.

Sincerely,

W. Jack Ford
OCD Environmental Bureau

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Ford, Jack, EMNRD

From: DeLapp, Robin [RDELAPP@pnm.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2005 3:25 PM
To: Ford, Jack, EMNRD
Subject: Animas Compressor Station

Hi Jack,

I just wanted to send you a clarifying update on my recent letter regarding PNM's Animas Compressor Station in Farmington. All the equipment was removed from the station as described in my letter; however, there is still natural gas pipeline in the ground and a small border station (above ground piping) where the compressor just to sit. We still plan to sample where the tank use to be installed. I'm not sure if this makes a difference in requesting termination of the discharge plan or closure of the facility. Please let me know.

Thanks,

Robin DeLapp
PNM Environmental Services Department
(505) 241-2016

PNM
Alvarado Square
Albuquerque, NM 87158-2104
505 241-2031
Fax 505 241-2376
www.pnm.com



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June 9, 2005

Jack Ford, Environmental Bureau
Oil Conservation Division (OCD)
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Animas Compressor Station
Facility Closure Request

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Robin K. DeLapp
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Cc: Kevin Lawrence, PNM Gas Compression
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Alvarado Square MS 2104
Albuquerque, NM 87158
Fax 241-2376

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED



November 14, 2001

Oil Conservation Division
Attn: Roger C. Anderson
1120 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: PNM Discharge Plan GW-254
Discharge Plan Approval for Animas Compressor Station

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Attached please find one signed copy of the Conditions of Approval for the above-referenced compressor station. As required under WQCC 3114, Public Service Company of New Mexico hereby submits check number 741600 in the amount of \$400.00. This flat fee covers the five (5) year period of the discharge plan that ends September 5, 2006.

Thank you for your assistance regarding this matter. Please call me at (505) 241-2016 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robin K. DeLapp".

Robin K. DeLapp
Senior Environmental Scientist

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cc: OCD Aztec District III Office
D. J. Engert, PNM Compressor Station Manager

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NM OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
ATTN: ED MARTIN

AD NUMBER: 228516 ACCOUNT: 56689
LEGAL NO: 70093 P.O.#: 02199000249
240 LINES 1 time(s) at \$ 105.80
AFFIDAVITS: 5.25
TAX: 6.94
TOTAL: 117.99

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF SANTA FE

I, *MM Weideman* being first duly sworn declare and say that I am Legal Advertising Representative of THE SANTA FE NEW MEXICAN, a daily newspaper published in the English language, and having a general circulation in the Counties of Santa Fe and Los Alamos, State of New Mexico and being a Newspaper duly qualified to publish legal notices and advertisements under the provisions of Chapter 167 on Session Laws of 1937; that the publication #70093 a copy of which is hereto attached was published in said newspaper 1 day(s) between 09/26/2001 and 09/26/2001 and that the notice was published in the newspaper proper and not in any supplement; the first publication being on the 26 day of September, 2001 and that the undersigned has personal knowledge of the matter and things set forth in this affidavit.

/s/ *MM Weideman*
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this
26 day of September A.D., 2001

Notary *Janet L. Montoya*
Commission Expires *12/30/03*



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**NOTICE OF
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS
AND
NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT**

**OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION**

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LORI WROTENBERY, Director
Legal #70093
Pub. September 26,
2001

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Ad No. 45063

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
County of San Juan:**

CONNIE PRUITT, being duly sworn says:
That she is the Classified Manager of THE DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in English at Farmington, said county and state, and that the hereto attached Legal Notice was published in a regular and entire issue of the said DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper duly qualified for the purpose within the meeting of Chapter 167 of the 1937 Session Laws of the State of New Mexico for publication on the following day(s):

Saturday, September 22, 2001.

And the cost of the publication is \$98.00.

Connie Pruitt

ON 10/3/01 CONNIE PRUITT appeared before me, whom I know personally to be the person who signed the above document.

Danny Beck
My Commission Expires April 02, 2004

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LORI WROTENBERY, Director

Legal No. 45063, published in The DailyTimes, Farmington, New Mexico, Saturday, September 22, 2001.

Ford, Jack

From: Martin, Ed
Sent: Wednesday, September 19, 2001 2:18 PM
To: Farmington Daily Times (E-mail)
Cc: Ford, Jack; Anaya, Mary
Subject: Legal Notices

Please publish the attached 2 legal notices, one time only, by Thursday, September 27, 2001.

Upon publication, please forward to this office the following:

1. Publisher's affidavit
2. Invoice. Our purchase order number is **02199000251**

If you have any questions, please e-mail me or phone (505) 476-3492.

Thank you.



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Sent: Wednesday, September 19, 2001 1:40 PM
To: Martin, Ed
Subject: Public Notices GW-256, GW-254, GW-206, & GW-263



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. [REDACTED] dated 11/1/01
or cash received on _____ in the amount of \$ 400.00
from P.N.M.

for Animas C.S. GW-254

Submitted by: [Signature] Date: 11-19-01

Submitted to ASD by: _____ Date: _____

Received in ASD by: _____ Date: _____

Filing Fee _____ New Facility _____ Renewal

Modification _____ Other _____

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Electric and Gas Services

General Fund Account

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ORDER C/O OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
OF 1220 NORTH ST. FRANCIS DRIVE
SANTA FE, NM 87505

[Signature]
Authorized Signature

FORM NO 9713M Ed. No 5-4-22/70 4-310 180



If you have any questions about this payment please contact:

Public Service Company of New Mexico
Accounts Payable, MS 0720
Alvarado Square
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158
(505) 241-2120

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Fax 241-2376

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August 20, 2001



Oil Conservation Division
Att: Roger C. Anderson
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**SUBJECT: PNM Discharge Plan GW-254
Renewal Application for Animas Compressor Station**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Enclosed please find one (1) original and one (1) copy of the renewal application for Public Service Company of New Mexico's (PNM) Animas Compressor Station located in Farmington in Section 15, T 29 N, R 13 W, San Juan County. One (1) copy will also be mailed to Oil Conservation Division's District III office in Aztec.

Attached find one completed Discharge Plan renewal application and one information sheet, Item 8: Revised. Item 2 and 14 on the application form identify a new contact person. Item 8 shows minor changes to the liquid and solid waste collection/treatment/disposal procedures (shown in bold text). Other than this the facility has not undergone any changes since the July 1996 renewal application was submitted. All of the other items: Item 1, 3 through 7, and 9 through 13, are unchanged. Information for these items is available in the July 1996 submittal.

The required \$100.00 filing fee for this renewal application has already been mailed to your office. PNM's check (number 73004) was inadvertently mailed without supporting documentation on or about July 26. Jack Ford has confirmed receipt of the check. He will hold it until the accompanying application is received and start the renewal process.

Call me at (505) 241-4873 if you have questions about this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wilford B. Nez", is written over the typed name.

Wilford B. Nez
Sr. Engineering Tech

Cc: OCD Aztec District III Office
D.J. Engert, PNM Compressor Plant Mgr.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
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I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. [redacted] dated 7/25/01
or cash received on _____ in the amount of \$ 100.00
from PNM
for Animas C.S. GW-254
Submitted by: [Signature] Date: 7/30/01
Submitted to ASD by: _____ Date: _____
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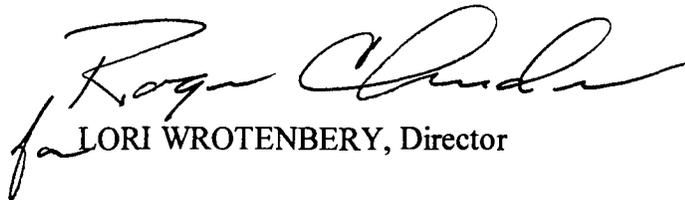
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LORI WROTENBERY, Director

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NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

GARY E. JOHNSON
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Cabinet Secretary

February 12, 2001

Lori Wrotenbery
Director
Oil Conservation Division

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. 5051 0197

Ms. Jean Arya
PNMGS
Alvarado Square, M.S. 0408
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

RE: Discharge Plan Renewal Notice for the PNMGS Facilities

Dear Ms. Arya:

PNMGS has the following discharge plans, which expire during the current calendar year.

GW-065 expires 6/25/2001 – Rio Puerco Compressor Station
GW-066 expires 6/25/2001 – Santa Fe Junction Compressor Station
GW-254 expires 9/5/2001 – Animas Compressor Station
GW-263 expires 9/18/2001 – Star Lake Compressor Station

WQCC 3106.F. If the holder of an approved discharge plan submits an application for discharge plan renewal at least 120 days before the discharge plan expires, and the discharger is not in violation of the approved discharge plan on the date of its expiration, then the existing approved discharge plan for the same activity shall not expire until the application for renewal has been approved or disapproved. A discharge plan continued under this provision remains fully effective and enforceable. An application for discharge plan renewal must include and adequately address all of the information necessary for evaluation of a new discharge plan. Previously submitted materials may be included by reference provided they are current, readily available to the secretary and sufficiently identified to be retrieved. [12-1-95]

The discharge plan renewal application for each of the above facilities is subject to WQCC Regulation 20NMAC 6.2.3114. Every billable facility submitting a discharge plan renewal will be assessed a fee equal to the filing fee of \$100.00. After January 15, 2001 renewal discharge plans require a flat fee equal to the flat fee schedule for gas processing facilities pursuant to revised WQCC Regulations 20NMAC 6.2.3114. A copy of the revised fee schedule is included for your assistance. The \$100.00 filing fee is to be submitted with each discharge plan renewal application and is nonrefundable.

Ms. Jean Arya
February 12, 2001
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Please make all checks payable to: **NMED-Water Quality Management** and addressed to the OCD Santa Fe Office. Please submit the original discharge plan renewal application and one copy to the OCD Santa Fe Office and one copy to the OCD Aztec District Office. **Note that the completed and signed application form must be submitted with your discharge plan renewal request.** A complete copy of the regulations is also available on NMED's website at www.nmenv.state.nm.us).

If any of the above-sited facilities no longer has any actual or potential discharges and a discharge plan is not needed, please notify this office. If PNMGS has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Jack Ford at (505) 476-3489.

Sincerely,



Roger C. Anderson
Oil Conservation Division

RCA/wjf

cc: OCD Aztec District Office



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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

October 30, 1996

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-288-258-676

Mr. Jessie D. Evans
Compression Manager
Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNMGS)
603 W. Elm St.
Farmington, NM 87499

**RE: Inspection Reports for GW-263
and GW-254
San Juan and McKinley Counties, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Evans:

The discharge plan inspection reports for the above captioned PNMGS Facilities are enclosed. PNMGS shall respond to each of the issues for each facility within 30 days of receipt of this letter and the enclosed inspection reports. Please send a copy of your response to OCD Santa Fe and the OCD Aztec District Office.

PNMGS continued commitment to the environmental quality of the State of New Mexico is appreciated.

If you have any questions in the meantime feel free to give me a call at (505)-827-7156.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patricio W. Sanchez".

Patricio W. Sanchez
Petroleum Engineering Specialist,
Environmental Bureau-OCD

xc: Mr. Denny Foust - OCD Aztec District Office.

PNMGS

GW-263 (PHOTOS BY OCD)



PHOTO NO. 1

DATE: 10/23/96



PHOTO NO. 2

DATE: 10/23/96

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION

Telephone

Personal

Time 10:10 AM

Date 8-15-96

Originating Party

Other Parties

Pat Sanchez - OCD

Rebynn Delap w/ ESI
representing PNMGS

Subject PNMGS - Star Lake and Animas Compressors.

Discussion

Ms. Delap gave me the following address
for the "service center" for both facilities:

PNMGS

603 W. ELM

Farmington, NM 8701

505-324-3763

Also, I asked about the 2ndry. containment
at Star Lake - she said PNMGS had told
her that they had been in compliance w/
1/3 requirement⁺ now (recent upgrade.)

Conclusions or Agreements

Told Ms. Delap that General permit
conditions in permits cover 1/3 volume -
- PNMGS will have to sign-off on conditions
anyway.

Distribution Starlake, Animas,
File

Signed

Robert W. [Signature]

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No. 36691

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County of San Juan:

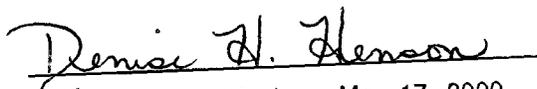
ROBERT LOVETT being duly sworn says: That he is the Classified Manager of THE DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in English at Farmington, said county and state, and that the hereto attached Legal Notice was published in a regular and entire issue of the said DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper duly qualified for the purpose within the meaning of Chapter 167 of the 1937 Session Laws of the State of New Mexico for publication on the following day(s):

Thursday, August 1, 1996;

and the cost of publication is: \$71.19.



On 8/2/96 ROBERT LOVETT appeared before me, whom I know personally to be the person who signed the above document.


My Commission Expires May 17, 2000

Legals

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GIVEN under the Seal of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 23rd day of July, 1996.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
/s/William J. Lemay
WILLIAM J. LEMAY, Director

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Oil Conservation Division

AD NUMBER: 531696

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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION
ATTN: SALLY MARTINEZ
2040 S. PACHECO
SANTA FE, NM 87505

LEGAL NO: 60135

P.O. # 96199002997

209 LINES once at \$ 83.60

Affidavits: 5.25

Tax: 5.55

Total: \$ 94.40

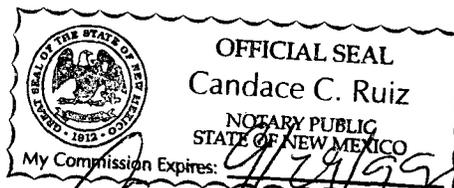
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF SANTA FE

I, BETSY PERNER being first duly sworn declare and say that I am Legal Advertising Representative of THE SANTA FE NEW MEXICAN, a daily news paper published in the English language, and having a general circulation in the Counties of Santa Fe and Los Alamos, State of New Mexico and being a Newspaper duly qualified to publish legal notices and advertisements under the provisions of Chapter 167 on Session Laws of 1937; that the publication # 60135 a copy of which is hereto attached was published in said newspaper once each week for one consecutive week(s) and that the notice was published in the newspaper proper and not in any supplement; the first publication being on the 31st day of JULY 1996 and that the undersigned has personal knowledge of the matter and things set forth in this affidavit.

Betsy Perner
/s/ _____
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this
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[Signature]

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DIVISION
WILLIAM J. LEMAY,
Director
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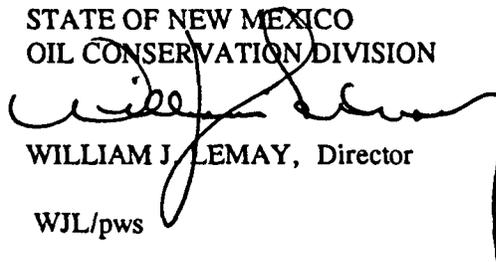
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GW-254

July 11, 1996

Roger Anderson
Environmental Bureau Chief
Oil Conservation Division
PO Box 6429
Santa Fe, NM 87505-6429

Subject: Discharge Plan Application, Animas Compressor Station, San Juan County, NM

Dear Mr. Anderson

On behalf of my client, Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM), I am enclosing two copies of the subject discharge plan application and the application fee. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or PNM's Jessie Evans.

Sincerely

Robin K. DeLapp

Robin K. DeLapp
Environmental Scientist

cc: Denny Foust
OCD, Aztec

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. dated 7/11/96
or cash received on in the amount of \$ 50.00
from Environmental Svcs (for PNM)
for Animas C.S GW254

Submitted by: Date:
Submitted to ASD by: R. Vanden Date: 7/31/96
Received in ASD by: D. Salazar Date: 7-31-96

Filing Fee New Facility Renewal
Modification Other

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 97

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.
Full Payment or Annual Increment

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. 4665 INDIAN SCHOOL RD. NE, STE. 106 PH. 266-6611 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87110		DATE <u>7/11/96</u>	95-32/1070 0109676338
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Submit Original
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1 Copy to appropriate
District Office

DISCHARGE PLAN APPLICATION FOR SERVICE COMPANIES,
GAS PLANTS, REFINERIES, COMPRESSOR, AND CRUDE OIL PUMP STATIONS
(Refer to the OCD Guidelines for assistance in completing the application)

New

Renewal

Modification

1. Type: Animas Compressor Station : 400 hp
2. Operator: Public Service Company of New Mexico
Address: 603 W. Elm St., Farmington, NM 87499
Contact Person: Jessie D. Evans Phone: 505-324-3722
3. Location: SE /4 /4 Section 15 Township T29N Range R13W
Submit large scale topographic map showing exact location.
4. Attach the name, telephone number and address of the landowner of the facility site. see attached
5. Attach the description of the facility with a diagram indicating location of fences, pits, dikes and tanks on the facility see attached item 4
see attached item 5
6. Attach a description of all materials stored or used at the facility. see attached item 6
7. Attach a description of present sources of effluent and waste solids. Average quality and daily volume of waste water must be included. see attached item 7
8. Attach a description of current liquid and solid waste collection/treatment/disposal procedures. see attached item 8
9. Attach a description of proposed modifications to existing collection/treatment/disposal systems. see attached item 9
10. Attach a routine inspection and maintenance plan to ensure permit compliance. see attached item 10
11. Attach a contingency plan for reporting and clean-up of spills or releases. see attached item 11
12. Attach geological/hydrological information for the facility. Depth to and quality of ground water must be included. see attached item 12
13. Attach a facility closure plan, and other information as is necessary to demonstrate compliance with any other OCD rules, regulations and/or orders. see attached item 13
14. CERTIFICATION

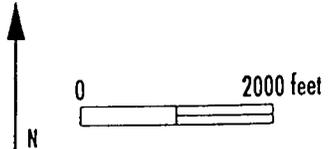
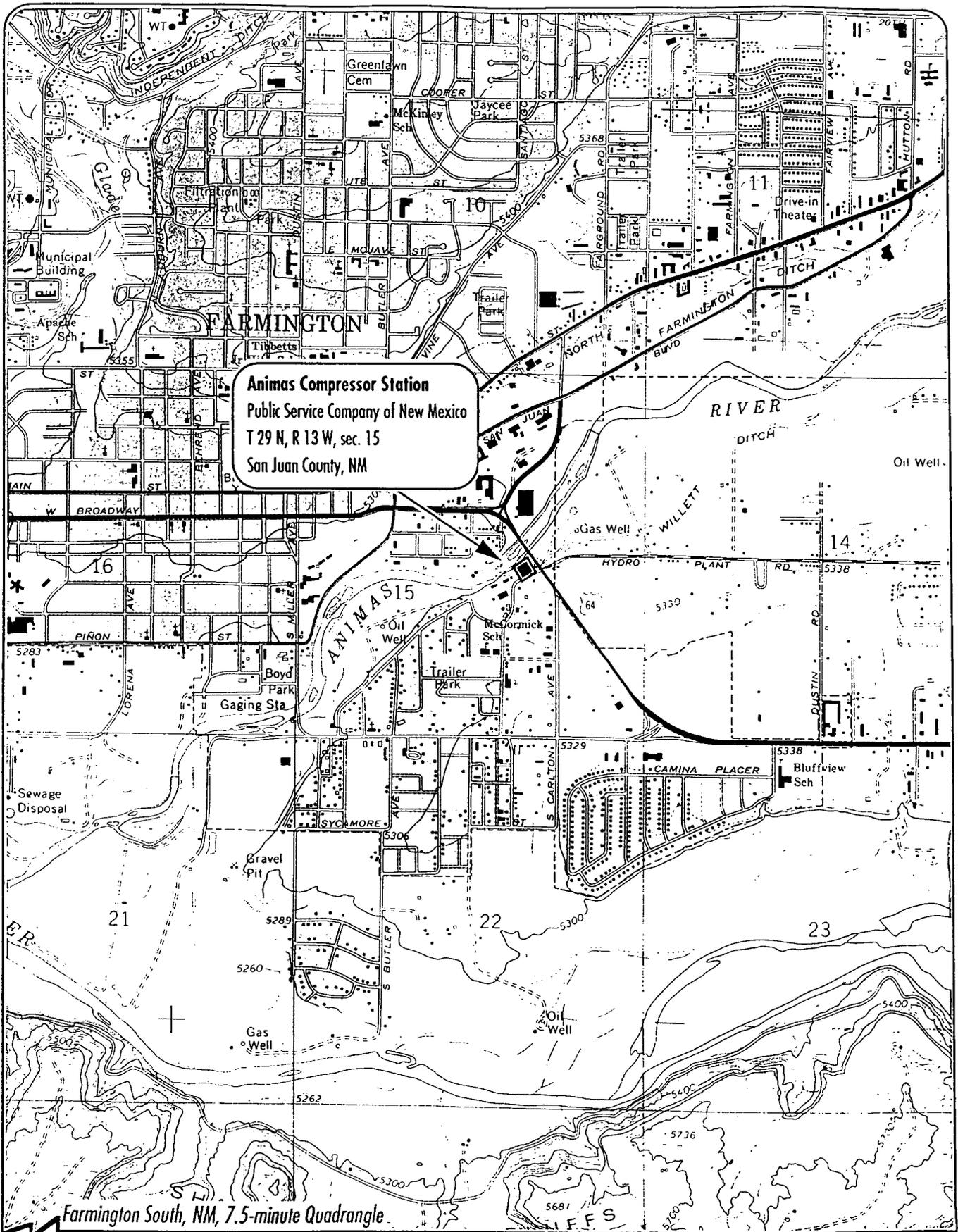
I herby certify that the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NAME: Jessie D. Evans

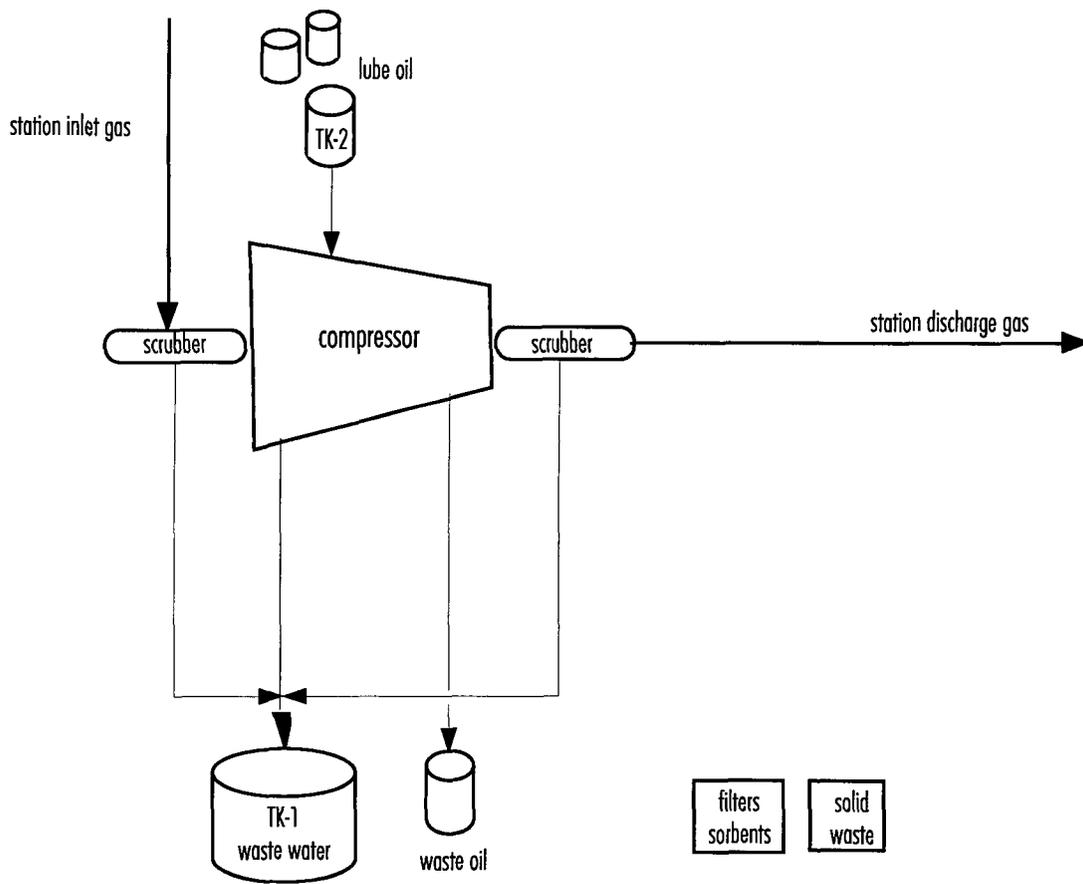
Title: Compression Manager

Signature: Jessie D. Evans

Date: 1/8/96

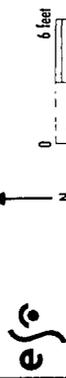
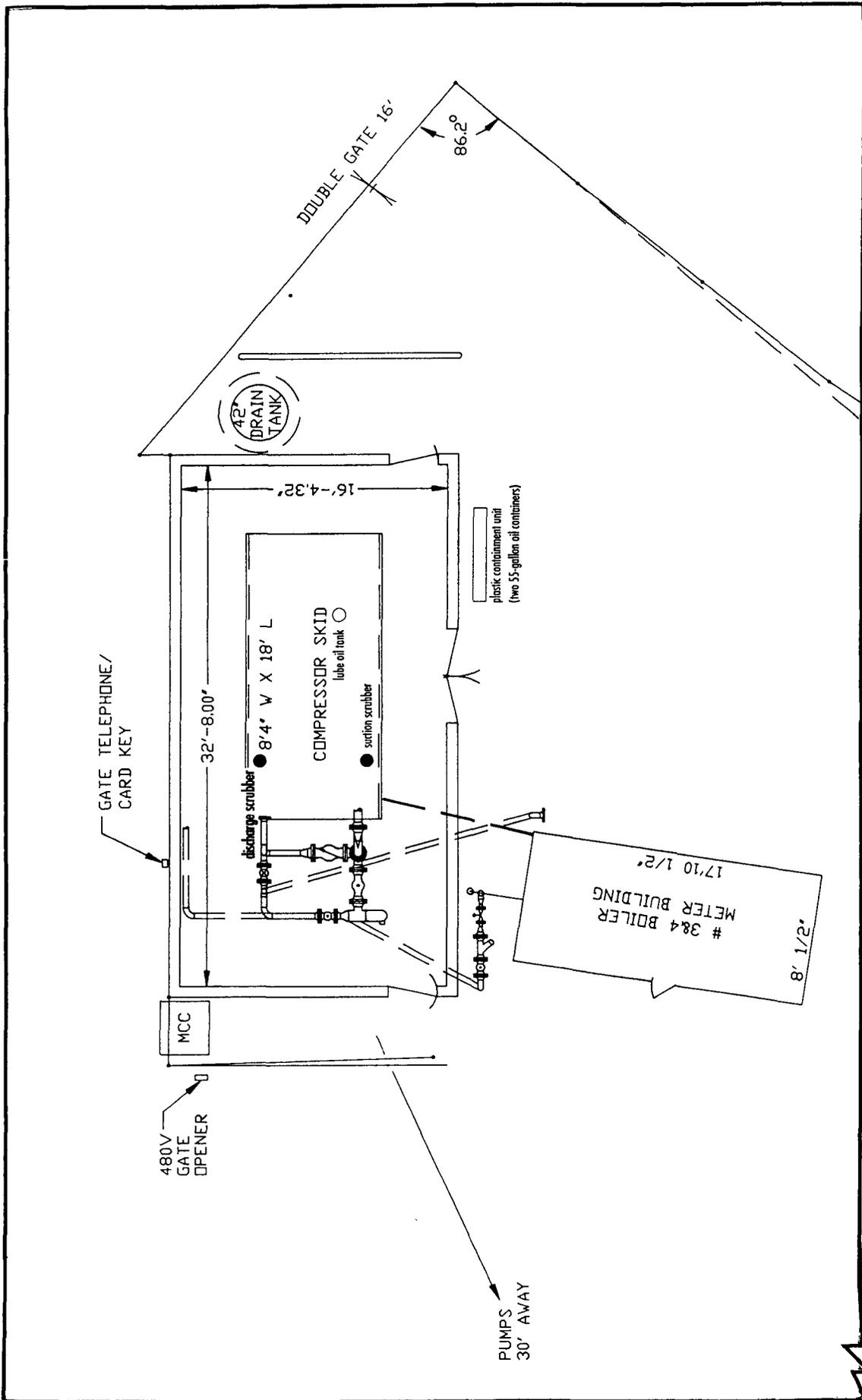


Location of Facility



**PNM Animas Compressor Station
Effluent and Solid Waste Production Diagram**

Layout of Animas Compressor Station



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Item 4

Attach the name, telephone, number and address of the landowner at the facility site.

City of Farmington
800 Municipal Dr.
Farmington, NM 87401
505-599-1100



Item 5

Attach the description of the facility with a diagram indicating location of fences, pits, dikes, and tanks on the facility.

Natural gas enters the station through underground lines on the north side, passes through a suction scrubber into two Aerial natural gas compressors which are driven by a 200 hp electric motor. Gas exits the facility through a discharge scrubber and into the power plant. Simplified process flow and layout diagrams are attached. The facility is enclosed by a block wall and the ground surface is covered with gravel.

<i>Equipment</i>	<i>ID</i>
Suction separator	-
Electric motor	200 hp each
Compressor	Aerial #1
Compressor	Aerial #2
Discharge separator	-



Item 6

Attach a description of all materials stored or used at the facility.

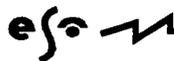
<i>Container</i>	<i>ID</i>	<i>Material</i>	<i>Form</i>	<i>Volume</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Containment</i>
AGT	none onsite					
AGT-elev	TK-2	Engine oil	Liquid	55 gal	Compressor skid	Contained by skid drain system
BGT	TK-1	Wastewater	Liquid	600 gal	Outside east fence	Secondary containment and leak detection
Drum	-	Engine oil	Liquid	110 gal	Outside south fence	Inside lidded containment unit
OTT	none onsite					
Other	-	Detergent	Liquid	-	Brought on site as needed	

AGT = above-ground tank

AGT-elev = above-ground tank elevated or on saddle rack

BGT = below-grade tank

OTT = open-top tank



Item 7

Attach a description of present sources of effluent and waste solids. Average quality and volume of waste water must be included.

<i>Source</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Type of waste</i>	<i>Volume</i>	<i>Quality</i>
Separators/scrubbers/ slug catchers	Suction separator	Natural gas condensate	10 gal/yr	No additives
		Used filters	2/ 6 mos	No additives
	Discharge separator	Natural gas condensate	10 gal/yr	No additives
		Used filters	2/ 6 mos	No additives
Boilers/heat recovery/ cooling units	None onsite			
Compressors	Aerial 200 hp each	Used filters	2/yr	No additives
		Used engine oil	100 gal/yr	Used motor oil w/ no additives
		Used filters	2/yr	No additives
		Washdown water	10 gal/6 mos	Water with detergent and lube oil
		Sorbents materials and rags	Varies	No additives
Laboratory	None onsite			
Human sewage	None onsite			
Miscellaneous	Trash	Solid waste	Varies	Varies



Item 8

Attach a description of current liquid and solid waste collection/treatment/disposal systems

<i>Type of waste</i>	<i>Collection</i>	<i>Storage</i>	<i>Hauled by</i>	<i>Disposal</i>
Condensate	Aboveground 2-in steel lines	TK-1	an approved trucking company	TnT surface disposal facility
Washdown water	Aboveground 2-in steel lines	TK-1	an approved trucking company	TnT surface disposal facility
Used filters	Drained into 55-gal drums	Removed as generated	PNMGS to service center where drained into used oil tank and crushed	Waste Management hauls to San Juan Co Landfill
Used oil	Drained into 55-gal drums	Removed as generated	PNMGS to service center where drained into used oil tank	Mesa Oil removes to its facility for recycling
Sorbent materials and rags	Drained into 55-gal drums	Removed as generated	PNMGS to service center	Waste Management hauls to San Juan Co Landfill
Solid waste	None onsite	Removed as generated	PNMGS to service center	Waste Management hauls to San Juan Co Landfill

Receiving facilities

TnT Construction Inc., Rio Arriba County, NM, OGRID#22099, 505-774-6663

Mesa Oil Company, 20 Lucero Dr., Belen, NM 87002, EPA ID#NM0000096024, 1-800-873-3645

San Juan County Regional Landfill, #78 County Road 3140, Farmington, NM, 505-334-1121



Item 9

Attach a description of proposed modifications to existing collection/treatment/disposal systems.

Animas Compressor Station is in compliance with NMOCD discharge plan requirements; therefore, no modifications to the facility are required.



Item 10

Attach a routine inspection and maintenance plan to ensure permit compliance.

Animas is continuously operated and is visited daily. At this time, meters are read and the site is inspected for leaks or spills. The leak detection sump on the below-grade tank TK-1 is checked daily. Maintenance of the compressor units, including oil and filter changes, is performed twice every 6 months or approximately once every 3 months.



Item 11

Attach a contingency plan for reporting and clean-up of spills or releases.

Three types of leaks or spills could occur at the facility.

- Leaks from effluent line malfunction.
- Spills during oil and filter changes or when the wastewater tank TK-1 is emptied.
- Leaks from failure of below-grade wastewater tank TK-1.

All spills and leaks will be immediately addressed according to the attached PNMGS Compressor Station Spill Response Procedure. Reporting will be performed following the PNM Spill Manual and according to the State's requirements in NMOCD Rule 116 and 20 NMAC 6.2.1203. Copies of these regulations are attached.



PNMGS Compressor Station

Spill Response Procedures

These procedures should be reviewed on a regular basis by PNMGS personnel. **In the event of a spill, facility personnel should immediately follow the guidelines set forth in this section.**

According to the OSHA Hazardous Communication Program, employers are required to provide Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) to employees for chemicals used and stored at facilities. PNMGS personnel should review the MSDS for the various oils used and stored at the station to familiarize themselves with the chemical properties of the oils. MSDS are an important part of spill response/ they provide health and reactivity data on substances. Therefore, it is necessary that facility personnel review the MSDS prior to a spill event to ensure their health and safety while responding to a spill event. MSDS for on-site substances should be kept in a location accessible to all facility and emergency response personnel.

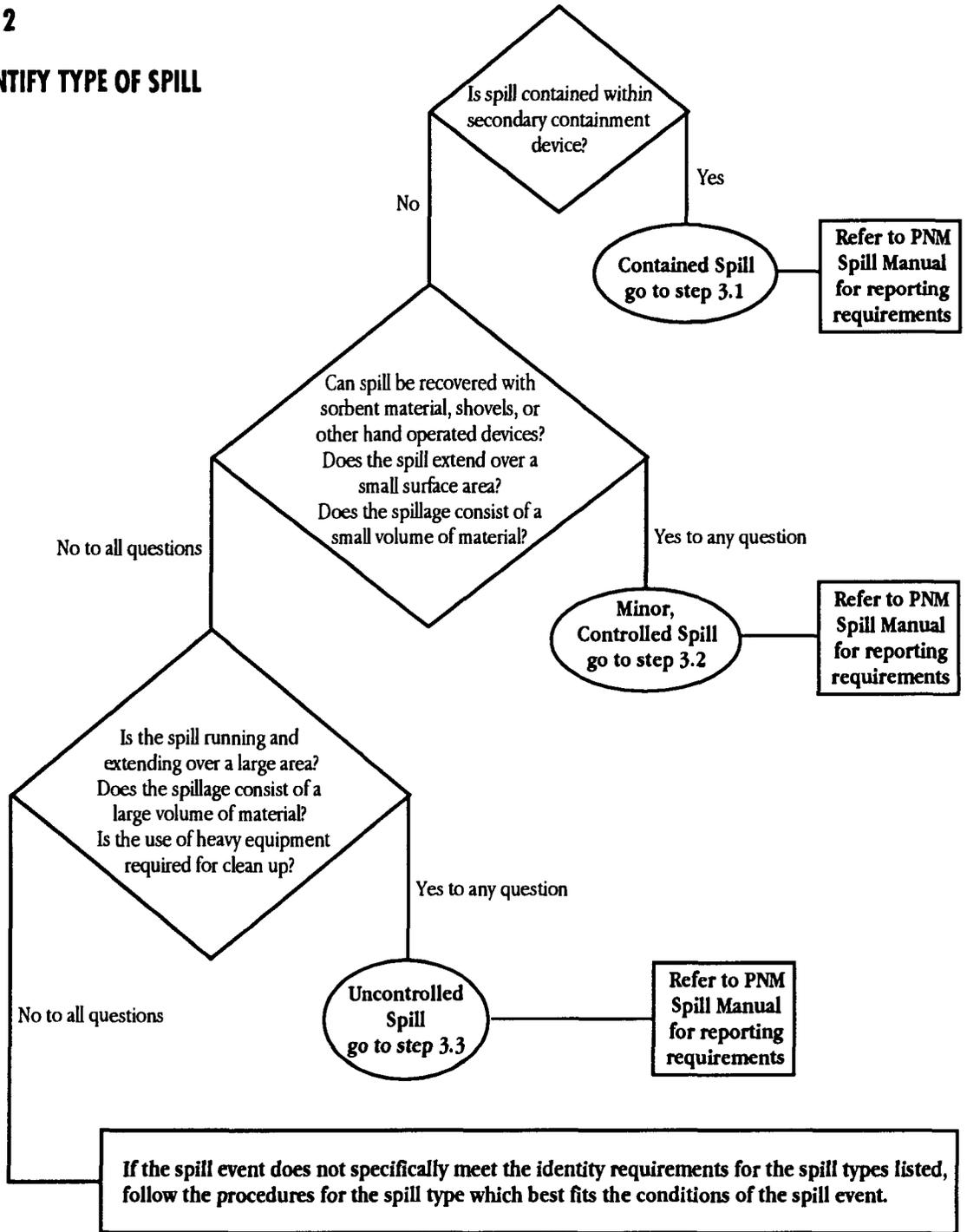
**Step 1
STOP SPILL**

- Identify source.
- Stop source—Close necessary valves and pumps.
- Seal necessary equipment.



Step 2

IDENTIFY TYPE OF SPILL



Step 3

CONTAINMENT AND CLEAN UP

3.1

Contained Spill

- Inspect containment area for seepage and leaks - repair if necessary.

- **Small volume of material**

Remove material with shovel.

or

Add water to the containment area and pump material into drums or storage tanks for disposal.

or

Add water to the containment area and skim oils from the surface of the water. Place recovered material into drums or storage tanks for disposal. Allow water to evaporate.

- **Large volume of material**

Remove material with pumps and store in drums or storage tanks for disposal.

3.2

Minor, Controlled Spill

- Stop the flow of material with sorbent materials or construct small earthen berms.

- Recover spilled material with sorbent materials or shovels and place in drums or storage tanks for disposal.

- Remove contaminated soil or other ground surfaces from the spill site and place into appropriate containers for off site disposal. If an OCD-approved land farm is located on site, place contaminated soils there.



3.3

Uncontrolled Spill

- Stop the flow of material by creating low areas in the terrain ahead of the spill in order to collect the material. Most often, this will require the use of backhoes or other similar equipment. It may be necessary to rent equipment and skilled operators from the nearest town.
- Follow the clean up guidelines established in 3.1 for large volume spills.
- If the spill has contaminated a large amount of soil, excavate the contaminated area. If there is not an on site land farm, follow these procedures.
 - Pile the soil removed from the excavation on site.
 - Line the excavation with an impermeable liner.
 - Place soil back in excavation.
 - Wash the soil using high pressure hoses.
 - Skim oils off the surface of the water.
 - Place recovered material into drums or storage tanks for disposal.
 - Pump remaining water into drums or tanks or allow to evaporate.



RULE 113. - SHOOTING AND CHEMICAL TREATMENT OF WELLS

(as of 3-1-91)

If injury results to the producing formation, injection interval, casing or casing seat from shooting, fracturing, or treating a well and which injury may create underground waste or contamination of fresh water, the operator shall give written notice to the Division within five (5) working days and proceed with diligence to use the appropriate method and means for rectifying such damage. If shooting, fracturing, or chemical treating results in irreparable injury to the well the Division may require the operator to properly plug and abandon the well.

RULE 114. - SAFETY REGULATIONS

(as of 3-1-91)

A. All oil wells shall be cleaned into a pit or tank, not less than 40 feet from the derrick floor and 150 feet from any fire hazard. All flowing oil wells must be produced through an oil and gas separator of ample capacity and in good working order. No boiler or portable electric lighting generator shall be placed or remain nearer than 150 feet to any producing well or oil tank. Any rubbish or debris that might constitute a fire hazard shall be removed to a distance of at least 150 feet from the vicinity of wells and tanks. All waste shall be burned or disposed of in such manner as to avoid creating a fire hazard.

B. When coming out of the hole with drill pipe, drilling fluid shall be circulated until equalized and subsequently drilling fluid level shall be maintained at a height sufficient to control subsurface pressures. During course of drilling blowout preventers shall be tested at least once each 24-hour period.

RULE 115. - WELL AND LEASE EQUIPMENT

(as of 3-1-91)

A. Christmas tree fittings or wellhead connections shall be installed and maintained in first class condition so that all necessary pressure tests may easily be made on flowing wells. On oil wells the Christmas tree fittings shall have a test pressure rating at least equivalent to the calculated or known pressure in the reservoir from which production is expected. On gas wells the Christmas tree fittings shall have a test pressure equivalent to at least 150 percent of the calculated or known pressure in the reservoir from which production is expected.

B. Valves shall be installed and maintained in good working order to permit pressures to be obtained on both casing and tubing. Each flowing well shall be equipped to control properly the flowing of each well, and in case of an oil well, shall be produced into an oil and gas separator of a type generally used in the industry.

RULE 116. - NOTIFICATION OF FIRE, BREAKS, LEAKS, SPILLS
AND BLOWOUTS

*(Due to be
been sealed -
still current
6/96)*

(as of 3-1-91)

A. The Division shall be notified of any fire, break, leak, spill, or blowout occurring at any injection or disposal facility or at any oil or gas drilling, producing, transporting, or processing facility in the State of New Mexico by the person operating or controlling such facility.

B. "Facility," for the purpose of this rule, shall include any oil or gas well, any injection or disposal well, and any drilling or workover well; any pipe line through which crude oil, condensate, casinghead or natural gas, or injection or disposal fluid (gaseous or liquid) is gathered, piped, or transported (including field flow-lines and lead-lines but not including natural gas distribution systems); any receiving tank, holding tank, or storage tank, or receiving and storing receptacle into which crude oil, condensate, injection or disposal fluid, or casinghead or natural gas is produced, received, or stored; any injection or disposal pumping or compression station including related equipment; any processing or refining plant in which crude oil, condensate, or casinghead or natural gas is processed or refined; and any tank or drilling pit or slush pit associated with

oil or gas well or injection or disposal well drilling operations or any tank, storage pit, or pond associated with oil or gas production or processing operations or with injection or disposal operations and containing hydrocarbons or hydrocarbon waste or residue, salt water, strong caustics or strong acids, or other deleterious chemicals or harmful contaminants.

C. Notification of such fire, break, leak, spill, or blowout shall be in accordance with the provisions set forth below:

(1) Well Blowouts. Notification of well blowouts and/or fires shall be "immediate notification" described below. ("Well blowout" is defined as being loss of control over and subsequent eruption of any drilling or workover well, or the rupture of the casing, casinghead, or wellhead or any oil or gas well or injection or disposal well, whether active or inactive, accompanied by the sudden emission of fluids, gaseous or liquid, from the well.)

(2) "Major" Breaks, Spills, or Leaks. Notification of breaks, spills, or leaks of 25 or more barrels of crude oil or condensate, or 100 barrels or more of salt water, none of which reaches a watercourse or enters a stream or lake; breaks, spills, or leaks in which one or more barrels of crude oil or condensate or 25 barrels or more of salt water does reach a watercourse or enters a stream or lake; and breaks, spills, or leaks of hydrocarbons or hydrocarbon waste or residue, salt water, strong caustics or strong acids, gases, or other deleterious chemicals or harmful contaminants of any magnitude which may with reasonable probability endanger human health or result in substantial damage to property, shall be "immediate notification" described below.

(3) "Minor" Breaks, Spills, or Leaks. Notification of breaks, spills, or leaks of 5 barrels or more but less than 25 barrels of crude oil or condensate, or 25 barrels or more but less than 100 barrels of salt water, none of which reaches a watercourse or enters a stream or lake, shall be "subsequent notification" described below.

(4) "Gas Leaks and Gas Line Breaks. Notification of gas leaks from any source or of gas pipe line breaks in which natural or casinghead gas of any quantity has escaped or is escaping which may with reasonable probability endanger human health or result in substantial damage to property shall be "immediate notification" described below. Notification of gas pipe line breaks or leaks in which the loss is estimated to be 1000 or more MCF of natural or casinghead gas but in which there is no danger to human health nor of substantial damage to property shall be "subsequent notification" described below.

(5) Tank Fires. Notification of fires in tanks or other receptacles caused by lightning or any other cause, if the loss is, or it appears that the loss will be, 25 or more barrels of crude oil or condensate, or fires which may with reasonable probability endanger human health or result in substantial damage to property, shall be "immediate notification" as described below. If the loss is, or it appears that the loss will be at least 5 barrels but less than 25 barrels, notification shall be "subsequent notification" described below.

(6) Drilling Pits, Slush Pits, and Storage Pits and Ponds. Notification of breaks and spills from any drilling pit, slush pit, or storage pit or pond in which any hydrocarbon or hydrocarbon waste or residue, strong caustic or strong acid, or other deleterious chemical or harmful contaminant endangers human health or does substantial surface damage, or reaches a watercourse or enters a stream or lake in such quantity as may with reasonable probability endanger human health or result in substantial damage to such watercourse, stream, or lake, or the contents thereof, shall be "immediate notification" as described below. Notification of breaks or spills of such magnitude as to not endanger human health, cause substantial surface damage, or result in substantial damage to any watercourse, stream, or lake, or the contents thereof, shall be "subsequent notification" described below, provided however, no notification shall be required where there is no threat of any damage resulting from the break or spill.

(7) IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION. "Immediate Notification" shall be as soon as possible after discovery and shall be either in person or by telephone to the district office of the Division district in which the incident occurs, or if the incident occurs after normal business hours, to the District Supervisor, the Oil and Gas Inspector, or the Deputy Oil and Gas Inspector. A complete written report ("Subsequent Notification") of

the incident shall also be submitted in DUPLICATE to the appropriate district office of the Division within ten days after discovery of the incident.

(8) SUBSEQUENT NOTIFICATION. "Subsequent Notification" shall be a complete written report of the incident and shall be submitted in duplicate to the district office of the Division district in which the incident occurred within ten days after discovery of the incident.

(9) CONTENT OF NOTIFICATION. All reports of fires, breaks, leaks, spills, or blowouts, whether verbal or written, shall identify the location of the incident by quarter-quarter, section, township, and range, and by distance and direction from the nearest town or prominent landmark so that the exact site of the incident can be readily located on the ground. The report shall specify the nature and quantity of the loss and also the general conditions prevailing in the area, including precipitation, temperature, and soil conditions. The report shall also detail the measures that have been taken and are being taken to remedy the situation reported.

(10) WATERCOURSE, for the purpose of this rule, is defined as any lake-bed or gully, draw, stream bed, wash, arroyo, or natural or man-made channel through which water flows or has flowed.

RULE 117. - WELL LOG, COMPLETION AND WORKOVER REPORTS

(as of 3-1-91)

Within 20 days after the completion of a well drilled for oil or gas, or the recompletion of a well into a different common source of supply, a completion report shall be filed with the Division on Form C-105. For the purpose of this rule, any hole drilled or cored below fresh water or which penetrates oil- or gas-bearing formations or which is drilled by an "owner" as defined herein shall be presumed to be a well drilled for oil or gas.

RULE 118. - HYDROGEN SULFIDE GAS - PUBLIC SAFETY

(as of 3-1-91)

A. The intent of this rule is to provide for the protection of the public's safety in areas where hydrogen sulfide (H_2S) gas in concentrations greater than 100 parts per million (PPM) may be encountered.

B. Producing operations should be conducted with due consideration and guidance from American Petroleum Institute (API) publication "Conducting Oil and Gas Production Operations Involving Hydrogen Sulfide" (RP-55). The operator of a lease producing, or a gas processing plant handling H_2S or any other related facility where H_2S gas is present in concentrations of 100 PPM or more shall take reasonable measures to forewarn and safeguard persons having occasion to be on or near the property. In addition to training operator's employees in H_2S safety such measures may include, but are not necessarily limited to, posting of warning signs, fencing of surface installations, installation of safety devices and wind direction indicators, and maintaining tanks, thief hatches and gaskets, valves and piping in condition so as to prevent avoidable loss of vapors. Where release of hydrogen sulfide is unavoidable, the operator shall burn or vent the gas stream in such a manner as to avoid endangering human life.

C. Wells drilled in known H_2S gas producing areas, or where there is substantial probability of encountering H_2S gas in concentrations of 100 PPM or more, should be planned and drilled with due regard to and guidance from API RP-49 "Recommended Practices for Safe Drilling of Wells Containing Hydrogen Sulfide", latest edition. Wells completed and serviced by well servicing units where there is substantial probability of encountering H_2S gas in concentrations of 100 PPM or more should be worked on with due regard to the latest industry accepted practices. These practices may include, but are not necessarily limited to, the proper training of personnel in H_2S safety and the use of H_2S safety equipment as listed for safe operations by the American Petroleum Institute draft report for "Land, Oil and Gas Well Servicing and Workover Operations Involving Hydrogen Sulfide."*

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B. Plans, specifications and reports required by this Section, if related to facilities for the production, refinement and pipeline transmission of oil and gas, or products thereof, shall be filed instead with the Oil Conservation Division. [1-4-68, 12-1-95]

C. Plans and specifications required to be filed under this Section must be filed prior to the commencement of construction. [9-3-72]

1203. NOTIFICATION OF DISCHARGE--REMOVAL.

A. With respect to any discharge from any facility of oil or other water contaminant, in such quantity as may with reasonable probability injure or be detrimental to human health, animal or plant life, or property, or unreasonably interfere with the public welfare or the use of property, the following notifications and corrective actions are required: [2-17-74, 12-24-87]

1. As soon as possible after learning of such a discharge, but in no event more than twenty-four (24) hours thereafter, any person in charge of the facility shall orally notify the Chief of the Ground Water Protection and Remediation Bureau of the department, or his counterpart in any constituent agency delegated responsibility for enforcement of these rules as to any facility subject to such delegation. To the best of that person's knowledge, the following items of information shall be provided:

a. the name, address, and telephone number of the person or persons in charge of the facility, as well as of the owner and/or operator of the facility;

b. the name and address of the facility;

c. the date, time, location, and duration of the discharge;

d. the source and cause of discharge;

e. a description of the discharge, including its chemical composition;

f. the estimated volume of the discharge; and

g. any actions taken to mitigate immediate damage from the discharge.

[2-17-74, 2-20-81, 12-24-87, 12-1-95]

2. When in doubt as to which agency to notify, the

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person in charge of the facility shall notify the Chief of the Ground Water Protection and Remediation Bureau of the department. If that department does not have authority pursuant to commission delegation, the department shall notify the appropriate constituent agency. [12-24-87, 12-1-95]

3. Within one week after the discharger has learned of the discharge, the facility owner and/or operator shall send written notification to the same department official, verifying the prior oral notification as to each of the foregoing items and providing any appropriate additions or corrections to the information contained in the prior oral notification. [12-24-87]

4. The oral and written notification and reporting requirements contained in this Subsection A are not intended to be duplicative of discharge notification and reporting requirements promulgated by the Oil Conservation Commission (OCC) or by the Oil Conservation Division (OCD); therefore, any facility which is subject to OCC or OCD discharge notification and reporting requirements need not additionally comply with the notification and reporting requirements herein. [2-17-74, 12-24-87]

5. As soon as possible after learning of such a discharge, the owner/operator of the facility shall take such corrective actions as are necessary or appropriate to contain and remove or mitigate the damage caused by the discharge. [2-17-74, 12-24-87]

6. If it is possible to do so without unduly delaying needed corrective actions, the facility owner/operator shall endeavor to contact and consult with the Chief of the Ground Water Protection and Remediation Bureau of the department or appropriate counterpart in a delegated agency, in an effort to determine the department's views as to what further corrective actions may be necessary or appropriate to the discharge in question. In any event, no later than fifteen (15) days after the discharger learns of the discharge, the facility owner/operator shall send to said Bureau Chief a written report describing any corrective actions taken and/or to be taken relative to the discharge. Upon a written request and for good cause shown, the Bureau Chief may extend the time limit beyond fifteen (15) days. [12-24-87, 12-1-95]

7. The Bureau Chief shall approve or disapprove in writing the foregoing corrective action report within thirty (30) days of its receipt by the department. In the event that the report is not satisfactory to the department, the Bureau Chief shall specify in writing to the facility owner/operator any shortcomings in the report or in the corrective actions already taken or proposed to be taken relative to the discharge, and shall give the facility owner/operator a reasonable and clearly specified

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time within which to submit a modified corrective action report. The Bureau Chief shall approve or disapprove in writing the modified corrective action report within fifteen (15) days of its receipt by the department. [12-24-87]

8. In the event that the modified corrective action report also is unsatisfactory to the department, the facility owner/operator has five (5) days from the notification by the Bureau Chief that it is unsatisfactory to appeal to the department secretary. The department secretary shall approve or disapprove the modified corrective action report within five (5) days of receipt of the appeal from the Bureau Chief's decision. In the absence of either corrective action consistent with the approved corrective action report or with the decision of the secretary concerning the shortcomings of the modified corrective action report, the department may take whatever enforcement or legal action it deems necessary or appropriate. [12-24-87, 12-1-95]

9. If the secretary determines that the discharge causes or may with reasonable probability cause water pollution in excess of the standards and requirements of Section 4103 of this Part, and the water pollution will not be abated within one hundred and eighty (180) days after notice is required to be given pursuant to Section 1203.A.1 of this Part, the secretary may notify the facility owner/operator that he is a responsible person and that an abatement plan may be required pursuant to Sections 4104 and 4106.A of this Part. [12-1-95]

B. Exempt from the requirements of this Section are continuous or periodic discharges which are made: [2-17-74]

1. in conformance with regulations of the commission and rules, regulations or orders of other state or federal agencies; or [2-17-74]

2. in violation of regulations of the commission, but pursuant to an assurance of discontinuance or schedule of compliance approved by the commission or one of its duly authorized constituent agencies. [2-17-74]

C. As used in this Section and in Sections 4100 through 4115, but not in other Sections of this Part: [2-17-74, 12-1-95]

1. "discharge" means spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, or dumping into water or in a location and manner where there is a reasonable probability that the discharged substance will reach surface or subsurface water; [2-17-74]

2. "facility" means any structure, installation, operation, storage tank, transmission line, motor vehicle, rolling

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stock, or activity of any kind, whether stationary or mobile;
[2-17-74]

3. "oil" means oil of any kind or in any form including petroleum, fuel oil, sludge, oil refuse and oil mixed with wastes; [2-17-74]

4. "operator" means the person or persons responsible for the overall operations of a facility; and
[12-24-87]

5. "owner" means the person or persons who own a facility, or part of a facility. [12-24-87]

D. Notification of discharge received pursuant to this Part or information obtained by the exploitation of such notification shall not be used against any such person in any criminal case, except for perjury or for giving a false statement.
[2-17-74]

E. Any person who has any information relating to any discharge from any facility of oil or other water contaminant, in such quantity as may with reasonable probability injure or be detrimental to human health, animal or plant life, or property, or unreasonably interfere with the public welfare or the use of property, is urged to notify the Chief of the Ground Water Protection and Remediation Bureau of the department. Upon such notification, the secretary may require an owner/operator or a responsible person to perform corrective actions pursuant to Sections 1203.A.5 or 1203.A.9 of this Part. [12-1-95]

[1204-1209] Reserved

1210. VARIANCE PETITIONS.

A. Any person seeking a variance pursuant to Section 74-6-4 (G) NMSA 1978, shall do so by filing a written petition with the commission. The petitioner may submit with his petition any relevant documents or material which the petitioner believes would support his petition. Petitions shall: [7-19-68, 11-27-70, 9-3-72]

1. state the petitioner's name and address;
[7-19-68, 11-27-70]

2. state the date of the petition; [7-19-68]

3. describe the facility or activity for which the variance is sought; [7-19-68, 11-27-70]

4. state the address or description of the property upon which the facility is located; [11-27-70]

Item 12

Attach geological/hydrological information for the facility. Depth to and quality of ground water must be included.

Animas Compressor Station is located in the central basin portion of the San Juan Basin on the Colorado Plateau. The station is in the San Juan Basin monitoring area near the confluence of the Animas and San Juan Rivers. The site is in a vulnerable area designated by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

The compressor station is located on the floodplain of the left descending bank of the Animas River, a perennial stream. The station is also located on the right descending bank of Willett Ditch, an intermittent stream located along a meander scar of the Animas River. Also, 2000 feet south and uphill of the site is an unnamed intermittent stream which flows east into Echo Ditch. There are no groundwater discharge sites within one-quarter mile of the facility on the 1979 photo-revised Farmington South 7.5' U.S.G.S. topographic map; only a few mud areas on sandbars in the river channel are within one-quarter mile of the site.

Two well files within one-quarter mile of the facility are on record with the New Mexico State Engineer Office as of May, 1996. Two other wells within one-quarter mile of the facility are identified by Stone et al. (1983, Hydrogeology and water resources of San Juan Basin, New Mexico: New Mexico Bureau of Mines & Mineral Resources, Hydrologic Report 6). Three of these wells are domestic; one may be a public supply located at McCormick School.

In 1959, the water table in a McCormick School well and in another domestic well nearby was at 8 feet (Stone et al., 1983). Since the elevations of these two wells and the facility are the same, and they are within one-quarter mile of the facility, the estimated depth to water at the facility is eight feet in the Quaternary floodplain alluvium.

The two wells reported in Stone et al. (1983) had water reported in 1959 with specific conductances of 929 and 598 micromhos. Assuming that the total dissolved solids are approximately 70 percent of specific conductance, the total dissolved solids of the groundwater in the floodplain alluvium in 1959 were 650 mg/l. Stone et al. (1983) reported the specific conductance of the Quaternary alluvium in the Animas Valley to be about 1500 micromhos and that of the Kirtland-Fruitland Shale to be about 5,000 micromhos. Assuming that the total dissolved solids are 70 percent of specific conductance, the total dissolved solids in the alluvium would be about 1050 mg/l and the Fruitland-Kirtland Shale about 3500 mg/l.

The soil type is Garland Loam, a well-rained loam formed on alluvial terraces below which is a clay loam to gravelly to loamy sand. The depth of the soil to bedrock is about 60 inches (Keetch et al., 1980, Soil Survey of San Juan County, New Mexico, Eastern part: Soil Conservation Service).



The facility is sited on Holocene floodplain alluvium of clay, gravel, and sand which is less than three meters thick (Ward, 1990, Geologic map emphasizing the surficial deposits of the Farmington 30'x60' quadrangle, New Mexico and Colorado: New Mexico Bureau of Mines & Mineral Resources, Map I-1978). The underlying aquifer is probably the Kirtland Shale, a shaly, coaly shale and sandstone.

The flooding potential at the facility is low, as the facility is just outside the 100-year flood boundary on the 1981 FEMA map (Floodway, City of Farmington, NM, San Juan County, Panel 10 of 10, 1981: Federal Insurance Administration).



Item 13

Attach a facility closure plan, and other information as is necessary to demonstrate compliance with any other NMOCD rules, regulations, and/or orders.

All reasonable and necessary measures will be taken to prevent the exceedance of 20 NMAC 6.2.3103 quality standards should PNM choose to permanently close the facility. Closure measures will include removal or closure in place of any underground piping and equipment. All tanks will be emptied. No potentially toxic materials or effluents will remain on the site. All potential sources of toxic pollutants will be inspected. Should contaminated soil be discovered, any necessary reporting under NMOCD Rule 116 and 20 NMAC 6.2.1203 will be made, and clean-up activities will commence. Post-closure maintenance and monitoring plans would not be necessary unless contamination is encountered.

