STATE OF NEW MEXICO



ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE



BRUCE KING GOVERNOR ANITA LOCKWOOD CABINET SECRETARY 1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410 (505) 334-6178

August 23, 1993

Mr. Tom McMillan Production Superintendent Gas Company of New Mexico PO Box 1899 Bloomfield, NM 87413

RE:

Illegal Pits in Northwestern New Mexico

SRC Childers #1, N-01-31N-11W

Dear Mr. McMillan:

New Mexico Oil Conservation Order R-8952 (for the protection of migratory birds) became effective June 15, 1989 and states that <u>all pits</u> and open tanks more than 16' in diameter shall be screened, netted or covered.

On August 18, 1993 field inspections conducted by Ernie Busch revealed that the above mentioned pit contained approximately 1 bbl water with a hydrocarbon skim. In order for this pit to be in compliance, you are hereby directed to remove all fluid or properly net this pit by September 23, 1993.

If you have any questions please feel free to call this office.

Sincerely,

Diama K. Sairhurst

Dianna K. Fairhurst Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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Well File

Don Ellsworth - BLM Farmington

Susan Dolan - MOI

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Permit No. (For Division Use Oak

APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO DIVISION ORDER R-8952 FOR PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS Rule 8(b), Rule 105(b), Rule 312(h), Rule 313, or Rule711

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perator Address: Box 1899, Bloomfield,		
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perator requests exception from the requirement	to screen, net or cover the pa or tank	at the above-described facility.
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Pit contains no hydrocarbons o		
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If any oil or hydrocarbons reach the appropriate District Office of the Office of		is required to notify the MAR 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
ERTIFICATION BY OPERATOR: I hereby cert	ify that the information given above is to	rue and complete to the best of m
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Signature	Tale Production Superinten	
rinted Name Ron Reynolds	Telephone No(5	05) 632-3311
FOR OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION USE		
Date Facility Inspected 8/19/93	Approved by	
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