

# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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July 22, 2011

Lisa Riley  
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**Re: Extension of Deadline to Commence Disposal**


SWD-1231 approved date July 22, 2010  
L W Ward Well No. 3 (API 30-025-07232)  
1983 FSL, 1515 FEL, Unit letter J, Sec 11, T13S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County  
Disposal into the Pennsylvanian through perforations from 9900 to 10682 feet

You have submitted a request on behalf of Apache Corporation, for a 12 month extension of the allowed period to commence active disposal into this well for the reasons outlined in the attached correspondence.

As allowed in 19.15.26.12C(2) NMAC, the Division finds the environment would not be harmed by maintaining this disposal permit and your request for a 12 month extension should be granted.

All requirements of SWD-1231 including the requirement to plug back this well to within 200 feet of the permitted disposal interval shall remain in full force and effect.

The deadline to commence injection is hereby extended until July 22, 2012. If injection has not commenced prior to that date, this permit shall expire *ipso-facto*.



JAMI BAILEY  
Director

Cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs  
File: SWD-1231



**Jones, William V., EMNRD**

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**From:** Riley, Lisa [Lisa.Riley@apachecorp.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 22, 2011 8:52 AM  
**To:** Jones, William V., EMNRD  
**Cc:** Hale, Robert; Kauffman, Katie; Gonzales, David; Estes, Michelle  
**Subject:** LW WARD.#3-SWD Conversion Extension  
**Attachments:** 20110722092747487.pdf

William-

Thank you so much for working with Apache Corporation on the SWD Conversion for the LW Ward #3, API# 30-025-07232. Apache Corporation respectfully requests an extension of one year for administrative order SWD-1231 that was granted on July 22, 2010. Due to operation issues, Apache Corporation has been unable to further evaluate this SWD Conversion. I have attached the approved order from last year in hopes of being granted a one year extension. Please let me know any questions or concerns you may have.

Kindly,

*Lisa Riley*  
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