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Interested parties wishing to object to the proposed application must file with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 (505) 476-3460 within 15 days of the date of this notice.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Mr. Randall Hicks, agent for Accelerated Water Resources, LP, at 505-238-9515.

Sincerely,

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Randall Hicks Principal

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NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES Via U.S. Certified Mail – Return Receipt Requested

To Whom It May Concern:

AWR Disposal LLC, Midland, Texas, has made application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to drill and complete, for salt water disposal, the Leonard SWD #1. The proposed commercial operation will be for produced water disposal from area operators. As indicated in the notice below, the well is located in Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

The published notice states that the interval will be from 14,700 feet to 16,652 feet into the Silurian, Fusselman and Montoya Formations.

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Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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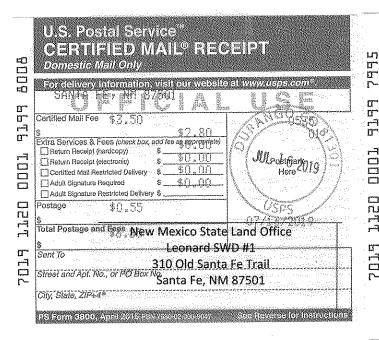
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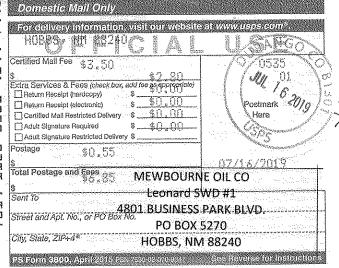
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Santa Fe, NM 87501	Carlsbad, NM 88220-6292	MIDLAND, TX 79705
MEWBOURNE OIL CO	EOG RESOURCES INC	OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN, LP
Leonard SWD #1	Leonard SWD #1	Leonard SWD #1
4801 BUSINESS PARK BLVD.	P.O. Box 2267	5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 110
PO BOX 5270	Midland, TX 79702	HOUSTON, TX 77046
HOBBS, NM 88240	,	
	NORTEX CORP	ESTORIL PRODUCING CORP
	Leonard SWD #1	Leonard SWD #1
	100 THROCKMORTON ST STE 400	400 W ILLINOIS STE 1600
	FORT WORTH, TX 76102	MIDLAND, TX 79701
ROBERT E. LANDRETH	XTO ENERGY INC	APACHE CORPORATION
Leonard SWD #1	Leonard SWD #1	Leonard SWD #1
110 W. LOUISIANA	810 HOUSTON STREET	303 VETERANS AIRPARK LN
SUITE 404	SUITE 2000	#1000
MIDLAND, TX 79701	FT. WORTH, TX 761026298	MIDLAND, TX 79705
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P. O. BOX 7500	P.O. BOX 1889	104 S PECOS
BARTLESVILLE, OK 74005	MIDLAND, TX 79702	MIDLAND, TX 79701
CENTENNIAL RESOURCE PRODUCTION,	EDWARD R HUDSON JR	MRC PERMIAN COMPANY
LLC	Leonard SWD #1	Leonard SWD #1
Leonard SWD #1	616 TEXAS STREET	5400 LBJ FREEWAY
1001 17th Street, Suite 1800	FORT WORTH, TX 76102	SUITE 1500
Denver, CO 80202		DALLAS, TX 75240
SIANA OIL & GAS CO.	COG OPERATING LLC	ENDEAVOR ENERGY RESOURCES. LP
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12012 WICKCHESTER LANE	600 W Illinois Ave	110 NORTH MARIENFELD
SUITE 410	Midland, TX 79701	SUITE 200
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HOUSTON, TX 77079		MIDLAND, TX 79701
CAZA PETROLEUM, LLC.	MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY	EOG Y RESOURCES, INC.
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4 GREENSPOINT PLACE	P. O. BOX 7698	104 S 4TH ST
16945 NORTHCHASE DR SUITE 1430	TYLER, TX 75711	ARTESIA, NM 88210
HOUSTON, TX 77060		
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Leonard SWD #1		COMPANY, LP
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GRAHAM, TX 76450		333 West Sheridan Ave.
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400 W ILLINOIS STE 1600	P.O. BOX 10303	6301 DEAUVILLE BLVD
MIDLAND, TX 79701	MIDLAND, TX 79702	MIDLAND, TX 79706

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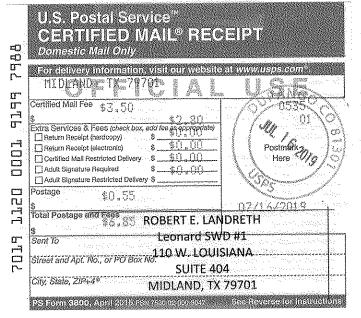
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	COG OPERATING LLC Leonard SWD #1 600 W Illinois Ave Midland, TX 79701	OWL SWD OPERATING, LLC Leonard SWD #1 8214 WESTCHESTER DR STE 850 DALLAS, TX 75225
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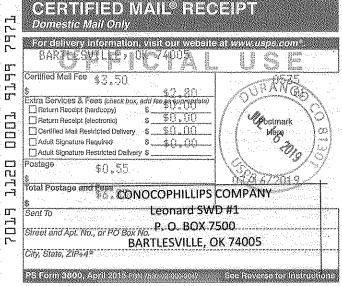


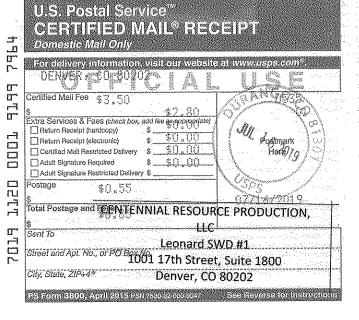


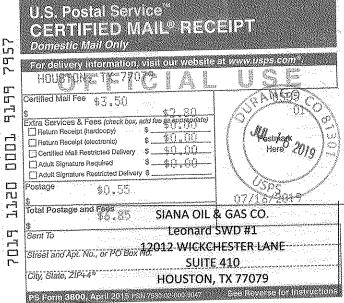
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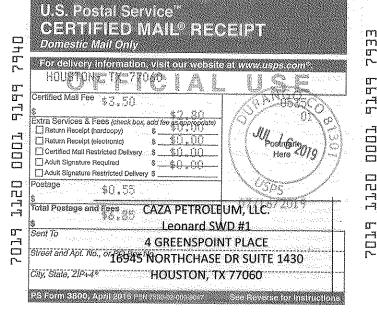
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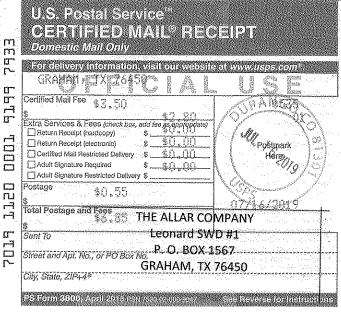


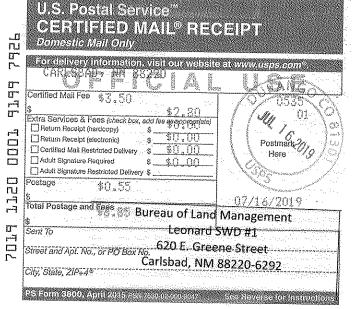


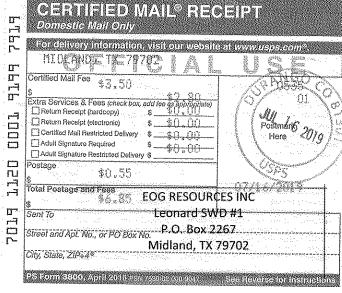




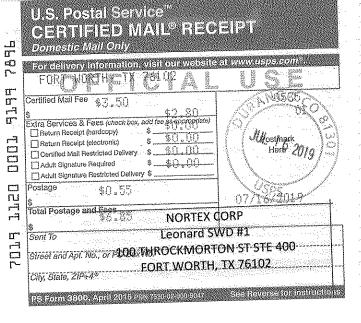


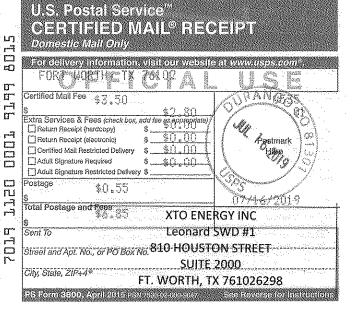


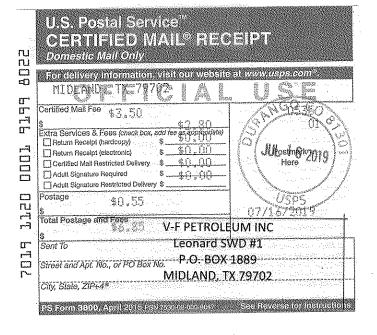


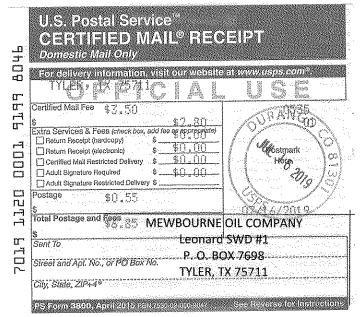


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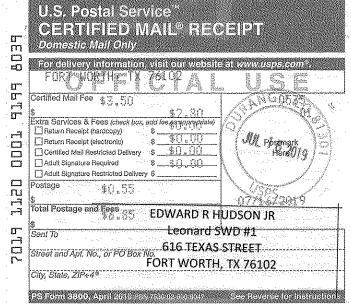


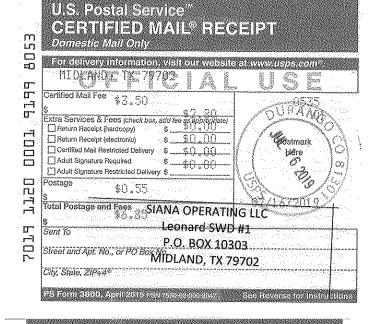










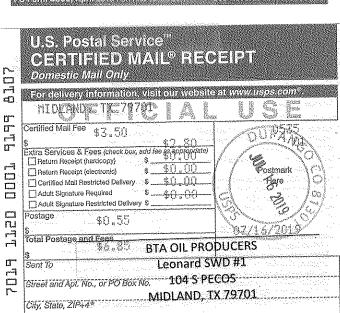


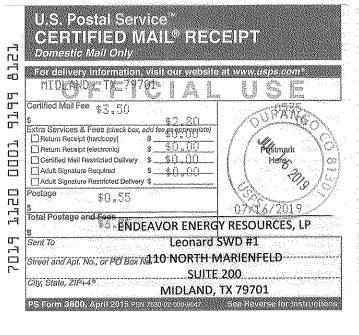


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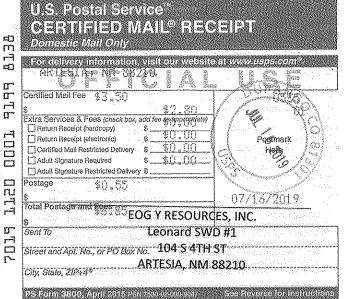


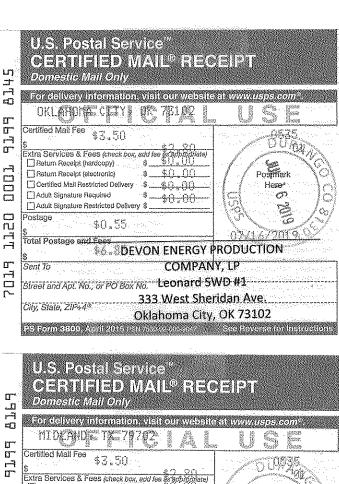


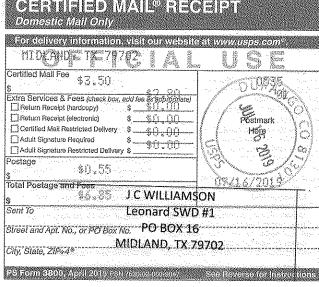




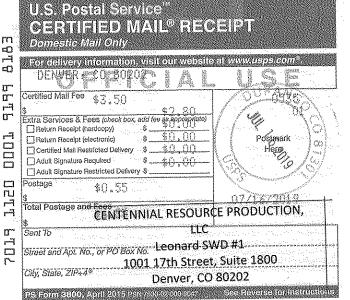


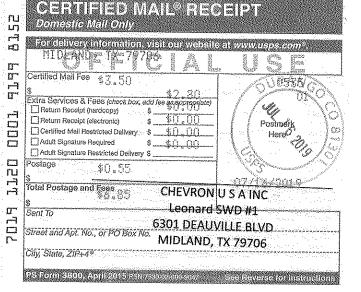




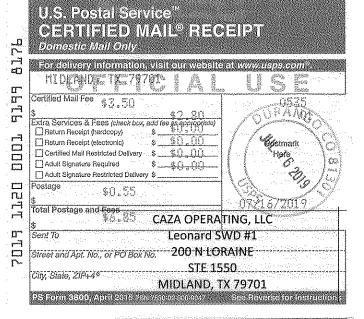


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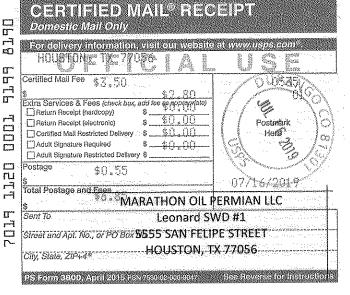




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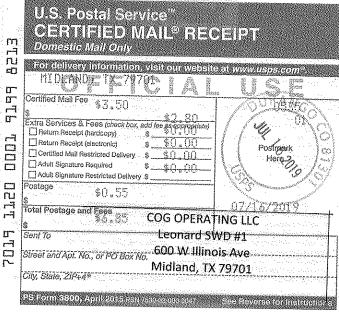


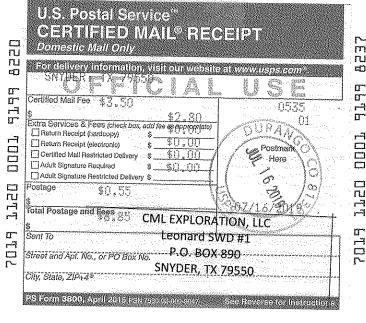
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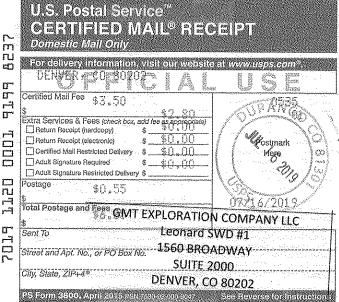


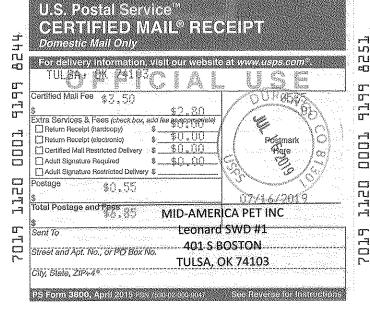


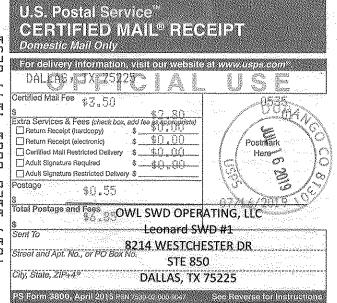












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July 12, 2019

Mr. Phillip Goetze, P.G. New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: AWR Disposal LLC Leonard SWD#1 UL D, Section 11 T23S R34E, Lea County

Dear Mr. Goetze:

On behalf of AWR Disposal LLC, R.T. Hicks Consultants is providing data and an opinion regarding the probability that injection of wastewater in the above referenced well at the proposed rates will cause seismic events of sufficient magnitude to create damage. It is our understanding that OCD is interested in such an opinion as part of the SWD approval process. We elected to provide this opinion as a separate submission as the C-108 does not specifically require such an opinion.

We relied upon the following data to develop our opinion

- State of stress in the Permian Basin, Texas and New Mexico: Implications for induced seismicity, Jens-Erik Lund Snee and Mark D. Zoback, The Leading Edge, February 2018<sup>1</sup>
- Plate 5, which is reproduced from the Snee and Zoback publication, which uses the following references
  - o Crone, A. J., and R. L. Wheeler, 2000, Data for Quaternary faults, liquefaction features, and possible tectonic features in the Central and Eastern United States, east of the Rocky Mountain front; U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report.
  - o Ewing, T. E., R. T. Budnik, J. T. Ames, and D. M. Ridner, 1990, Tectonic map of Texas: Bureau of Economic Geology, University of Texas at Austin.
  - o Green, G. N., and G. E. Jones, 1997, e digital geologic map of New Mexico in ARC/INFO format: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report.
  - o Ruppel, S. C., R. H. Jones, C. L. Breton, and J. A. Kane, 2005, Preparation of maps depicting geothermal gradient and Precambrian structure in the Permian Basin: USGS Order no. 04CRSA0834 and Requisition no. 04CRPR01474.
  - o NMOCD database of oil and gas wells
- Plate 5, which shows the distribution of active and new SWD wells in the area of the proposed AWR Disposal SWD well
- Stratigraphic and lithologic information from two deep wells in the Delaware Basin
- Data on the thickness and lithology of the Simpson Group from the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://scits.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/3702 tss lundsnee v2.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://www.beg.utexas.edu/resprog/permianbasin/PBGSP\_members/writ\_synth/Simpson.pdf

Plate 5 reproduces Figure 3 of the 2018 publication of Snee and Zoback and shows

- 1. Fault traces based upon the references provided above for which Dr. Snee and Dr. Zoback provide a value of the fault slip potential (FSP)
- 2. Areas of documented seismic activity, such as the Dagger Draw area and a magnitude 2.0-2.9 earthquake that occurred between 1970-2004 about 12-miles southwest of the proposed Leonard SWD #1. A slightly larger magnitude and more recent seismic event is reported about 22 miles east of the Leonard SWD #1 well location.
- 3. Although Plate 5 does not show faults that may be identified in confidential seismic data owned by oil and gas operators, the closet mapped fault that was activated after Woodford time is about 4 miles to the west and exhibits a low FSP (less than 5%) based upon the modeling and analysis of Snee and Zoback referenced above
- 4. Other mapped faults in southern Lea County shown on Plate 5 also show a low FSP, except for part of southwest-northeast trending fault about 32 miles north-northwest of the Leonard SWD #1 well that has a FSP of about 25 33% in the central portion of this fault trace.

Plate 6 reproduces the major elements of Plate 5 in the inset map and also shows that within the nine townships (324 miles) around the proposed Leonard SWD #1, the OCD database shows about 6 active and 6 new/proposed Devonian SWDs, which translates into an average density of about one SWD for every 27 square miles.

Figure 4 from the referenced Bureau of Economic Geology (The Middle-Upper Ordovician Simpson Group of the Permian Basin: Deposition, Diagenesis, And Reservoir Development) is

attached to this letter and the portion of that figure for the Delaware Basin is shown to the right. In southern Lea County the mapped thickness appears to be 500-1500 feet thick (note one contour line appears to be missing on the map). This unit, which is clay-rich carbonate interbedded with shale and sandstone, provides an excellent permeability/pressure barrier between the injection zone and the basement faults that were re-activated during Woodford time.

Data from the Amoco Federal CW Com 1 (3002528119) show that the thickness of the Simpson in the Antelope Ridge area of Lea County (Section 3 24S 34E) is about 450 feet thick with. This is consistent with Figure 4 of the BEG paper (probably because this well was used to produce the isopach map).

We contend that the data permit conclusion that unmapped faults (which may be located by

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confidential seismic data that AWR Disposal does not possess) near the Leonard SWD #1 would be dominantly north-south normal faults, as is common in Lea County. The data on Plate 6

permit a conclusion that faults near the Leonard State SWD #1 are also most likely to exhibit a low FSP, like the mapped faults shown on Plate 5.

Given the density of Devonian SWDs (planned/new and active) near the proposed Leonard SWD #1 well and the high likelihood that any unmapped faults in the area would exhibit a low FSP, the probability that injection into the Leonard State SWD #1 would cause an increase in pore pressure to trigger a seismic event of sufficient magnitude to cause damage is very low.

The users of this letter should recognize the uncertainties of using seismic maps of the Permian Basin to determine probability that injection of wastewater into a single SWD well could cause seismic events of sufficient magnitude to cause damage. However, on a regional basis injection by numerous wells into the Devonian/Fusselman/Montoya interval will raise the hydrostatic pressure. If pressure increases sufficiently, fluid could migrate from the injection zone along fault planes, up and down. Downward fluid migration will be intercepted first by the sandstone units of the Simpson Group. After fluid pressure increases in these sandstones, fluid would migrate downward into the Ellenberger Formation, which lies beneath the Simpson Group. This downward migration will next enter the permeable units of the Ellenberger and, over time, increase the fluid pressure. After fluid pressure in the Ellenberger is sufficiently large to cause downward migration along fault planes or other conduits, the migrating fluid will, in some areas, enter a thinner horizon of granite wash. Downward migrating fluids from the injection zone could then enter basement fault planes if the pressure in the granite wash horizon is sufficient, and reduce the frictional resistance (lubricate the faults). Reduction in the frictional force in faults due to fluid invasion can and has caused seismic events. In my opinion, the probability that injection into the Leonard SWD will measurably contribute to the events described above and will cause a seismic event resulting in damage is so low as to be nil.

Sincerely,

R.T. Hicks Consultants

Randall T. Hicks

Principal

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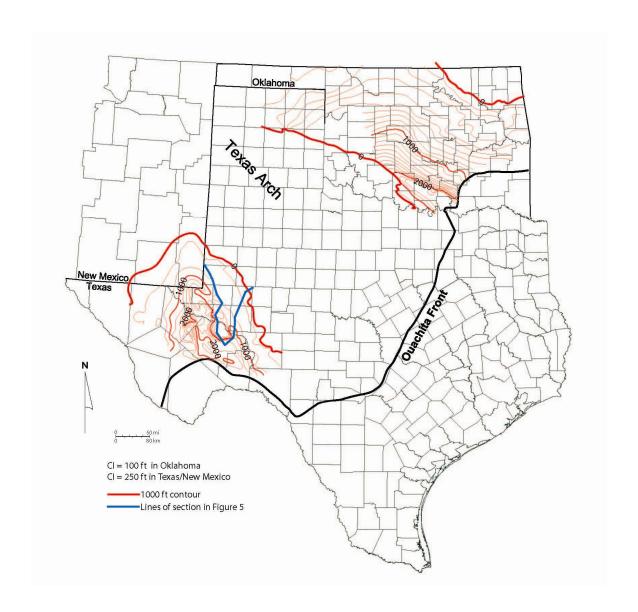


Figure 4. Thickness map of Simpson Group modified from Texas Water Development Board (1972), Frenzel and others (1988), and Northcutt and Johnson (1997). Thousand-foot contour lines and locations of figure 5 cross sections shown in heavy red and blue lines, respectively. Note that contour interval is 100 ft for Oklahoma and 250 ft for Texas and New Mexico.