

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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November 27, 2019

RICE Operating Company (OGRID 19174)  
c/o Hayden Holub, Manager  
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112 West Taylor  
Hobbs, NM 88240

**RE: Administrative Order SWD-1751; Extension of Deadline to Inject**  
Well: N-7 Well No. 1 (API 30-025-PENDING)  
Located: Unit N, Sec 7, T21S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Order Date: October 2, 2018  
Injection formations: San Andres, 4457 feet to 4908 feet

Dear Mr. Holub:

Reference is made to your August 20, 2019 request on behalf of the operator to extend the deadline stipulated in the above titled order to commence injection for the above referenced well for reasons outlined in your correspondence. The current deadline date to commence injection under said order is one year after issuance of the order: October 2, 2019.

It is the Division's understanding from your correspondence that since the date of issuance of this permit, there have been no changes in affected parties and no additional wells drilled in the one-half mile Area of Review.

The Division finds that for reasons you have stated, the granting of this request to extend this administrative order is in the interest of conservation, will prevent waste, and will protect the environment.

The deadline to commence injection for the existing order is hereby extended until October 2, 2020.

All requirements of the above referenced administrative order and agreements in the application remain in full force and effect.

Any additional extension of the deadline to commence injection for this administrative order will not be considered unless the operator has already commenced drilling of the subject well. Otherwise, the injection authority shall expire under the terms of the extended administrative order and the operator shall be required to submit a new application to obtain injection authority for the referenced well.

ADRIENNE SANDOVAL  
Director

AS/rl  
cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs District Office  
SWD-1751

## **Lowe, Leonard, EMNRD**

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**From:** Lowe, Leonard, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 3, 2019 4:18 PM  
**To:** 'Scott Curtis'; 'Hayden Holub'  
**Cc:** Goetze, Phillip, EMNRD; Rose-Coss, Dylan H, EMNRD; Ames, Eric, EMNRD; Murphy, Kathleen A, EMNRD; McClure, Dean, EMNRD; Kautz, Paul, EMNRD; Mike Bratcher (mike.bratcher@state.nm.us); 'lisa@rwbyram.com'  
**Subject:** Extension of Administrative Order SWD-1751 - N - 7 Well No. 1  
**Attachments:** Letter Extension SWD-1751\_RICE.pdf  
  
**Importance:** High

An extension for the date to commence injection for the following order has been signed as approved by the Director and will soon be scanned along with the documents for the extension and will be available on the Division's Imaging web site.

**SWD-1751   RICE Operating Company   N - 7 Well No. 1   (30-025-PENDING)   N-7-21S-37E   FEE**

The new date to commence injection is October 2, 2020.

A copy of the order is attached.

### **Leonard Lowe**

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