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**PRIDE ENERGY COMPANY**



New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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**AUGUST 29, 2008**

**Deadline Enclosed- Response Required**

Mr. James Bruce  
P.O. Box 1056  
Santa Fe, NM 87501  
*Via Facsimile (505-982-2151) and U.S. Mail*

**RE: REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
PRIDE ENERGY - INBE 13 NO. 1 BURIAL TRENCH  
UNIT LETTER G, SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO  
OCD CASE NO. 1R493**

Dear Mr. Bruce:

We are in receipt of your letter dated August 28, 2008, in which you have extended, on behalf of your client, Mr. Matthew L. Pride, of Pride Energy Company, a "Request for Reconsideration," of the OCD's requirements as outlined in the previously-issued Letters of Violation relating to the above-referenced site. Your Request is hereby **DENIED** on the following basis:

Your client has now been given two separate opportunities to comply with its obligations regarding the submission of the subject remediation plan, and has failed and refused to do so. The subject remediation plan was as originally requested in our letter of May 1, 2008, and as was requested a second time in our letter of August 15, 2008 which provided a deadline of today, August 29, 2008 for submission thereof. The response dated August 28, 2008 failed to meet the deadline set out in the most recently issued Letter of Violation in that did not include the required remediation plan.

The Oil Conservation Division will not allow Pride to continue to delay complying with OCD requirements. Pride's conduct in repeatedly failing and refusing to submit the required remediation plan pursuant to OCD Rule 116D constitutes knowing and willful violation of Division Rules.



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The OCD now considers Pride to be **intentionally** operating in violation of OCD Rules and is preparing to take enforcement action against Pride. The OCD will withhold filing an enforcement action against Pride until the end of business, **September 5, 2008**. If, however, Pride has still failed to comply with OCD's requirements as specifically articulated in our Letter of Violation dated May 1, 2008 by the end of business, September 5, 2008, the OCD will be taking enforcement action against Pride and will be seeking penalties, to be calculated from the original due date of the remediation plan (July 1, 2008).

Sincerely,

Mikal Altomare, Assistant General Counsel

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cc: Wayne Price, Environmental Bureau Chief  
Daniel Sanchez, Compliance and Enforcement Manager  
Gail MacQuesten, Assistant General Counsel  
Larry Johnson, OCD District 1