

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. Director Oil Conservation Division

October 5, 2007

Administrative Order IPI-285

Devon Energy Corporation 20 North Broadway Oklahoma City, OK 73102-8260

Attention: Norvella Adams

RE: **Injection Pressure Increase Request** 

West Red Lake Unit Well No. 8 (API No. 30-015-00806) Unit G. Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, NMPM Red Lake; Queen Grayburg San Andres Pool (51300)

Perforations: 1,084 feet to 1,764 feet

Eddy County, New Mexico

Reference is made to your request dated September 7, 2007, to increase the surface injection pressure on the above named injection well.

Administrative Order No WFX-692 approved on September 19, 1996, permitted this well for injection into the above referenced waterflood project and perforations and allowed a maximum surface injection pressure of 217 psi. On September 10, 1997, the Division raised this permitted injection pressure to 760 psi. It is our understanding this well will not take water at this pressure and additional pressures are needed to continue this water injection pattern in this area.

The basis for granting this pressure increase is the maximum pressure limit on a sampling of offsetting injection wells.

You are hereby authorized to utilize up to 900 psi as the maximum surface injection pressure on this well provided the tubing, size, type, and setting depth does not change.

The Division Director may rescind this injection pressure increase if it becomes apparent that the injected fluid is not being confined to the injection zone or is endangering any fresh water aquifers.

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E

Director

cc:

Oil Conservation Division - Artesia

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