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# MECHANICAL INTEGRITY TEST (MITs)

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#### Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

From: Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

Sent: Monday, November 10, 2008 1:50 PM

To: 'Prather, Steve'

Cc: Price, Wayne, EMNRD; Hill, Larry, EMNRD

Subject: FW: BW-2 (Eunice No. 1) & BW-25 (Salado Brine Well No. 2) Upcoming MIT & Sonar Testing

Steve:

Hi. BWs-2 and 25 will required the EPA 5-Yr. 30 minute test (pull tubing, set packer near casing shoe (<20 ft. from casing shoe) and pressure up from 300 to 500 psig +/- 10% to pass.

As indicated below, a sonar test is required at BWs-2 and 25, which will facilitate the EPA 5-Yr. MIT before reinstalling the tubing.

Please contact me with your preferred date and time for the MITs and sonar. Thank you.

Carl J. Chavez, CHMM New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Dept. Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau 1220 South St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Office: (505) 476-3491 Fax: (505) 476-3462 E-mail: <u>CarlJ.Chavez@state.nm.us</u> Website: <u>http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd/</u>index.htm (Pollution Prevention Guidance is under "Publications")

From: Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD
Sent: Tuesday; October 21, 2008 2:38 PM
To: 'Prather, Steve'
Cc: Sanchez, Daniel J., EMNRD; Price, Wayne, EMNRD
Subject: BW-2 (Eunice No. 1) & BW-25 (Salado Brine Well No. 2) Upcoming MIT & Sonar Testing

Steve:

Re: OCD August 1, 2008 Letter w/ Brine Well Information Request (BWIR)

Good afternoon. The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed Basic Energy Services, LLC responses to the BWIRs for the above subject OCD permitted brine wells. Based on the operational life and volume of brine produced from the above brine wells, sonar testing is required along with your MIT on or before July 31, 2009. According to OCD records, no sonar testing has been conducted on the above subject brine wells to date.

Please contact me within 8 working days to arrange the type, date and time for the MITs and corresponding date for sonar testing. Thank you.

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Started test on Sept. 1, 1991 at 9:304.1. Started injection with fresh water pumping at 21/2 BBIS P/M at 160 PS j. Continue rate & tubing pressure until 8 /4 on same date - at which time rate was increased to 31/2-4 BBIS PM at 100 PSi injection - My which time doonhale pressure had increased to 80 PSI. Fumping hate & inflation pressure Continued throughout night. By 10:30 %. downhole pressure had increased to 150 Bi-By 2:00 PM Sept. 2, 250 PSI. Pressure Contentied to hold with sum rate injection pressure at 350,051 Contenied peinping until 3:00 mon Sept 2nd Stopped pumping studied chart 4 hr pressure held at 250 Bi - engged down.

Total water pumped Lewnhale -1954 BBIS

Kill truck operator -Fody Wight



BE Lorottille Brine Station



Equipment & Supplies Fresh Water Brine Supply Wells Salt Water Disposal

#### **B & E, INC.**

South Y P. O. Box 756 Carlsbad, N.M. 88220 Phone (505) 885-6663 Vacuum Trucks OIL CONSERV ON DIVISIONTruck RECLIFED Kill Truck Frac Tanks '91 JUL 22 AM 9 30

July 18, 1991

Oil Conservation Division State Land Bldg. P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504

ATT: Kathy Brown, Environmental Geologist

RE: Eugenie Brine - Annual Pressure Test Loco Hills Brine - discharge plan Carlsbad Yard - Construction Sonar Log

I haven't heard from your office about the Eugenie Brine open-hole annual pressure test. I was just wondering if everything was satisfactory.

Also, I haven't heard as to the status of the discharge plan on the Loco Hills Brine and if you might need more information or if it was near approval.

The yard construction that is to take place here on our property has been at a standstill because the architect hasn't completed the blueprints so the contractor can get started. I just wanted to let you know what the progress was or wasn't.

I called about some information on the sonar log and received it in the mail last week. From my conversation with Bill Schnitger with Sonar & Well Testing Services. Inc. it was decided that when we did our 5-year mechanical integrity testing that would be the ideal time to run the sonar log also. Just wanted to thank you for the contacts and let you know the status on that.

Thank you again for all your help, cooperation and information. It is truly appreciated.

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#### B & E, Inc. Loco Hills Brine Station Sec 24 T 18S R 28E

#### 1986 ANNUAL TEST REPORT

10-7-86 Took kill truck to location and hooked up pump, closed discharge line from casing and started pumping down tubing into well. Pumped on well for approximately 12 hours, 10 loads of brine. Trying to build pressure to 300 PSI. Was unable to get pressure above 210 PSI after 1430 bbls. Shut well in at 10:00 p.m. (copy of charts attached). Installed pressure recorder and left on well. Pressure dropped from 200 PSI to 140 PSI in approximately 10 hours. We determined that we would have to consult with an expert as to what was happening.

10-8-86 Called Odessa Permian Brine Sales (332-0531) and talked with Russ Hickerson, who seemed very knowledgeable on brine wells. We asked him how to go about determining the mechanical integrity of our well. He said that on our total brine production; we should have approximately 400,000 bbl cavity and pointed out the fact that 1430 bbls was a very small amount. He recommended a procedure that should help reduce the amount needed to pump for final test: Produce brine for at least 8 hours, then close discharge line and charge with normal line pressure (to dissolve solids) every two days; recharge (to insure packing). We should be able to charge and pressure up in about a week. Pressure should only be 1.5 x normal working pressure.

> Phone conversation with Kevin Lambert, EID, Santa Fe told him what we were in the process of doing and current status report. Suggested - we proceed.

- 10-9-86 Produced brine and refilled storage pit .
- 10-12-86 Closed discharge line on well and left line pressure on tubing (124 PSI).

10-12-86 Continuously charged well; monitored daily and recorded pressures and volumes. It was determined that we were unable to get the well to quit taking fluid (appox. 4,000 bbls). After consulting with Mr. Hickerson of Permian Brine and also discussing with Mr. Lambert with EID; we should run a tracer survey to prove the mechanical integrity of the well. Because the salt formation was so large that we were continuely dissolving salt and possibly small fractures.

11-17-86 Reversed injection line to inject down casing and discharge tubing. Produced brine to pit in preparing well for tracer survey.

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11-20-86 Took kill truck and Bell Petroleum Surveys to well. Rigged up and bled charge from well. Run Bradenhead tracer (injected radioactive material between tubing and casing. Pumped at 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub> bbls per minute - approximately 90 PSI.

> Tracer survey indicated that the entire amount was proceeding through the annules, thus proving the mechanical integrity of the well. (no leaks) All water zones above shoe isolated. See attached log.

11-22-86 All supply lines and discharge lines inspected and repaired, thru and well returned to normal operation. 11-27-86

12-1-86 Results reported to Mr. Lambert with EID, Santa Fe, NM.

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#### Serial Number: <u>SER# 265-13819</u>

Pressure Range 500# p.s.i. accuracy +/-\_\_\_0\_2 % Full Scale

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Date Of Calibration 12/13/2006

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D & L Meters & Instrument Service, Inc. P.O. Box 1621 Lovington, NM 88260 (505) 396-3715 FAX (505) 396-5812



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Saturday, August 18, 2001

**Certification of Pressure Recorder Test:** 

Model: PMC 1000# 8" SER. # 12137 This Pressure Recorder was tested at midrange for accuracy and verified within +-5% and --5% for 1,000 # Pressure Element.

Jesse Arenivas, Technician

#### Price, Wayne

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Price, Wayne Thursday, November 04, 2004 2:41 PM 'sstoneman@pvtnetworks.net' Gum, Tim Brine well Test and Fees

Sammy Stoneman

Contacts:

Dear Sammy: OCD never received a copy of the pressure test chart and our records show you owe OCD \$340 annual fee payment.

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Sincerely:

Wayne Price New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505 505-476-3487 fax: 505-476-3462 E-mail: WPRICE@state.nm.us



#### Wildcat Measurement **Calibration** Certificate

**Pressure Recorder** 

Serial Number: MFG-1438

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## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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October 20, 2001

JIMS WATER SER. BW-005

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. 5357 7553

MR. SAM STONEMAN P.O. BOX 1387 ARTESIA, NM 88211-1387

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

Oil Conservation Division

#### Attention: Brine Well Operators

Re: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells

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The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) requires operators of brine supply wells to perform the following mechanical integrity test:

- 1. At least once every five years isolate the cavern formation from the casing/tubing annuals and hydrostatic fluid pressure test the casing at 300 psig for 30 minutes. New brine wells and wells being worked over will have to be tested in this manner before operations begin.
- 2. Annually perform an open hole cavern formation pressure test by pressuring up the formation with fluids to one and one-half times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig whichever's greater for four hours. However, no operator may exceed surface injection or test pressures that may cause formation fracturing or system failures. Systems requiring test pressures less than 300 psig or methods that use testing media other than fluids, i.e. gas, must be approved by OCD prior to testing. Brine supply wells operating with isolation packers will have to pressure test both the cavern formation and casing/tubing annuals.

Please find enclosed an "OCD Brine Well Test Schedule November 2001" and "Brine Well Test Procedure Guidance Document" for this November 26 through November 30, 2001. Please have your well ready for testing on the date and time you are scheduled. Please refer to the Well Test Schedule attached for the <u>Type of Test</u> you are scheduled to perform. You must receive prior OCD approval to alter the scheduled time or type of test.

## What's New!! Please note that operators are required to have their pressure recording devices calibrated to 500 psig and 8-hour clock. See Guidance Document attached.

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## <u>What's New!!</u> All operators will provide to the OCD the maximum test pressure that will not cause formation fracturing or system failures.

Operators will be responsible for providing equipment and shall bear all costs incurred. All tests must be witnessed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. Operators failing to abide by the procedures, type of test, and time schedules listed herein may be required to shut-in their systems until OCD has an opportunity to approve and witness testing.

If you require any further information or assistance please do not hesitate to write or call me at 505-476-3487 or E-mail WPRICE@state.nm.us.

Sincerely Yours,

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Wayne Price- Senior Envr. Engr.. Environnemental Bureau

cc: OCD District Offices

Attachments-	1.
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OCD Brine Well Test Schedule November 2001 Brine Well Testing Procedure Guidance Document

#### Brine Well Testing Procedure Guidance Document

- The cavern and all piping must be filled, pressured up and stabilized for a period of at least 24 hours prior to testing. If this test requires a packer then casing/tubing annulus must be loaded with inert fluid 24 hours prior to testing.
- 2) Have manpower and equipment available for pressure test. Wellhead shall be prepared for test and all valves and gauges should be in good working order.
- 3) Pumps, tanks, external lines etc. must be isolated from the wellhead during test.
- 4) A continuous recording pressure device with an 8-hour clock (min) shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus. The pressure range shall not be greater than 500 psig. The operator must provide proof that the pressure-recording device has been calibrated within the past 6 months. Note: Wells with packer installed: If this test requires both the casing/tubing annulus and cavern to be tested then two recording devices must be supplied or one recording device with two pins.
- 5) A minimum of one pressure gauge shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus.
- 6) OCD must witness the beginning of test (putting chart on) and ending of test (removing chart). At the end of test operator may be required to bleed-off well pressure to demonstrate recorder and gauge response.
- 7) The Operator will supply the following information on the pressure chart:
  - A. Company Name, Well Name, API #, Legal Location.
  - B. Test Procedure (1) Casing + Formation (2) Casing Test Only (3) Both (4) Other
  - C. Testing Media: Water, Gas, Oil, Etc.
  - D. Date, time started and ending.
  - E. Name (printed) and signature of company representative and OCD Inspector
- TEST ACCEPTANCE: The OCD will use the following criteria in determining if a well has passed the Mechanical Integrity Test:
  - A. <u>Passes</u> if Zero Bleed-Off during the test.
  - B. <u>Passes</u> if Final Test Pressure is within  $\pm 1\%$  of Starting Pressure, if approved by the OCD inspector.
  - C. <u>Fails</u> if any Final Test Pressure is greater than  $\pm 1\%$  of Starting Pressure. Operators must investigate for leaks and demonstrate that mechanical integrity of the well(s) by ensuring there are no leaks in the tubing, casing, or packer, and injected/produced fluids are confined within the piping and injection zones. Wells shall not resume operations until approved by OCD.

Note: OCD recognizes that different operations, well designs, formation characteristics and field conditions may cause variations in the above procedures. If operator wishes to make or anticipate changes please notify the OCD for approval. All operators are responsible to notify OCD of any procedure that may cause harm to the well system or formation. Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve any operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, groundwater, or the environment.

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Marbob Brine Well	BW-029	M. Dodd "A" BW#1	Tue	27-Nov	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	2 Pressure test cavern	Drute Davie	749-5075 Call	1-505-748-2523
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#### Price, Wayne

From:	Price, Wayne
Sent:	Wednesday, January 31, 2001 3:37 PM
To:	Stubblefield, Mike
Cc:	Gum, Tim
Subject:	Jim's Water Service Brine Well MIT BW-005

#### Dear Mike:

I have reviewed the faxed copy of the pressure chart and Halliburton Job Log. I noticed that Halliburton time was approximately one hour off from the chart. I understand now that since this unit was out of Texas they were operating on CST. The following is the Data supplied:

14,800 SCF of Nitrogen (N2) was injected at 70 F with a final press of 300psig. This equates to approximately 123.33 BBL's of compressed N2. The Brine well reservoir temperature was measured at 60.6 F.

The pressure chart started at 9.15 am (20) and no measurable change was noted for 2.5 hours. The next 1.5 hours showed a slight deviation from the 300 psig chart line and went from 300 to (297-298) psig.

Calculations were made to determine variations that temperature might have on this test. The nitrogen was injected at approximately 70 F. I averaged the nitrogen temperature with the reservoir temperature of 60.6 F and used an average value of 65.25 F. This gave a possible 2.69 psig drop in nitrogen pressure. Since the heat transfer rate is not know I used the average of the temperatures for the time period measured. Compensating for the pressure drop due to temperature change I used a final pressure of 297+2.69 = 299.69 for inputting into the Nitrogen loss calculations utilized by Solution Mining Research Institute's guidelines and an industry standard of 1000 BBI's/year or less for a pass-fail criteria which equates to .11 bbl's/hr of nitrogen has the ability to escape faster than water. Using the pass-fail criteria above it is assumed under most circumstances this would satisfy the requirement of absence of any significant fluid movement into a USDW. Also the fact that there is very little usable groundwater in the area of the brine well. Under these conditions it is normally assumed that water probably will not migrate.

Please note I ran the data supplied and I calculated a value of .031 bbl's/hr which is less than the .11 bbl's/hr. Therefore this would pass the criteria.

Therefore I hereby approve the MIT and pass the test for the Jims Water Service Brine Station. When you inform Jims Water Service please make sure we get all of the MIT results and include this disclaimer below:

Please be advised that NMOCD approval of this test does not relieve Jims Water Service Co. of responsibility should their activities fail to properly demonstrate mechanical integrity of the brine well system, and/or pose a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve Jims Water Service Co. of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations

Attached: Copy of Calculations:

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N2.xls

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Solve P2 PSIG	Input P1 PSIG	Set V1=V2	InputT2 Deg F	Input T1 Deg F	Temp R <sup>0</sup> = 459.69 + F <sup>0</sup> P = pressure psig V = Volume FT <sup>3</sup> n = number of moles R = 55.15 constant for N2 MW of N2 is 28016	Ideal Gast law for NO	Ans Loss in BBIS/hour	Length of test in hours	Input volume in BBL's ***	Input stop pressure (psig)	Input start pressure (psig)	Loss allowed in BBL's/hour	Loss allowed in BBL's/day	Loss allowed in BBL's/year	Nitrogen Brine Well Test
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Please be advised that NMOCD approval of this plan does not relieve Jims Water Service of responsibility should their activities fail to properly demonstrate mechanical integrity of the brine well system, and/or pose a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve Jims Water Service of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations

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## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

GARY E. JOHNSON Governor Jennifer A. Salisbury Cabinet Secretary Lori Wrotenbery Director Oil Conservation Division

October 20, 2000

#### **<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT NO.**

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BW-005 JIN'S WATER

Attention: Brine Well Operators

Re: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells

The Underground Injection Control Program of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires that operators demonstrate mechanical integrity of all injection wells by ensuring there are no leaks in the tubing, casing, or packer, and injected/produced fluids are confined within the piping and injection zones.

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) requires operators of brine supply wells to perform the following mechanical integrity tests:

- 1. At least once every five years isolate the cavern formation from the casing/tubing annuals and hydrostatic fluid pressure test the casing at 300 psig for 30 minutes. New brine wells and wells being worked over will have to be tested in this manner before operations begin.
- 2. Annually perform an open hole cavern formation pressure test by pressuring up the formation with fluid to one and one-half times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig whichever is greater for four hours. Operators shall not exceed surface pressures that may cause formation fracturing or system failures. OCD prior to test shall approve test pressures below 300 psig and methods that use media other than fluids. Brine supply wells operating with packers will have to pressure both the cavern formation and casing/tubing annuals.

Please find enclosed an "OCD Brine Well Test Schedule December 2000" and "Brine Well Test Procedure Guidance Document" for this December 8<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup> 2000. Please have your well ready for testing on the date and time you are scheduled. Please refer to the Well Test Schedule attached for the <u>type of test</u> you are scheduled to perform. You must receive prior OCD approval to alter the scheduled time or type of test.

> Oil Conservation Division \* 2040 South Pacheco Street \* Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Phone: (505) 827-7131 \* Fax (505) 827

**Brine Well Operators** 10/20/00 Page 2

Operators will be responsible for providing equipment and shall bear all costs incurred. All tests must be witnessed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. Operators failing to abide by the procedures, type of test, and time schedules listed herein may be required to shutin their systems until OCD has an opportunity to approve and witness testing.

If you require any further information or assistance please do not hesitate to write or call me at (505-827-7155).

Sincerely Yours,

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Wayne Price-Pet. Engr. Spec. Environmental Bureau

**OCD** District Offices cc:

OCD Brine Well Test Schedule December 2000. Attachments-1. 2.

Brine Well Testing Procedure Guidance Document.

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OCD BRINE WELL TEST SCHEDULE December of 2000

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#### **Brine Well Testing Procedure Guidance Document**

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- 2) Have manpower and equipment available for pressure test. Well head shall be prepared for test and all valves and gauges should be in good working order.
- 3) Pressure devices i.e pumps, truck pumps, etc. must be isolated from the well head during test.
- 4) A continuous recording pressure chart with an 8 hour clock shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus, as directed by the OCD, with a pressure range of not greater than 500 psig. The operator must provide proof that pressure recording device has a range of 0-500 psig and has been calibrated within the past 6 months. Wells, with isolation packers installed, which requires both the casing/tubing annulus and cavern to be tested will require two recording devices or one recording device with two pins. Operators may utilize other types of pressure recording devices, such as electronic data loggers, etc., if approved by OCD.
- 5) A minimum of one pressure gage shall be installed in the system as directed by OCD.
- 6) OCD must witness the beginning of test (putting chart on) and ending of test (removing chart). At the end of test operator may be required to bleed-off pressure to demonstrate recorder response.
- 7) The Operator will supply the following information on the pressure chart before starting test:
  - 1. Company name, discharge plan #, well name and number, legal location UL, section, township, range and county.
  - 2. Type of Test: Open Hole, Casing Test, or Both.
  - 3. Date, time test started, time stop.
  - 4. Chart and Recorder information. (can be attached)
  - 5. Normal operating surface and formation fracture pressure. (can be attached)
  - 6. After Test Completed: Name (printed) and signature of company representative and OCD inspector.
- Note: NMOCD recognizes that different operations, well constructions, well designs and field conditions may cause variations in the above procedures. Operator is responsible to notify OCD of any procedure that may cause harm to the well or formation. If operator wishes to make or anticipate changes you must notify the OCD for approval.

OCD December of 2000 Brine Well Testing



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#### Wildcat Measurement **Calibration Certificate** Pressure Recorder

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This Is To Certify That This Recorder Has Been Inspected And Tested.

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are as found.

November 03, 1999 Date Of Calibration

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#### Wildcat Measurement **Calibration Certificate Pressure Recorder**

Serial Number: MFG-1438

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#### NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pachaco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

Fax: 1-505-746-3227

October 19, 1999

Mr. Sammy Stoneman Jim's Water Service P.O. Box 848 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

#### Re: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells.

This is a reminder that New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) will be witnessing mechanical integrity test for all brine supply wells during the time period between October 25 through November 2, 1999. A schedule was sent to each operator on September 11, 1999.

Your recent telephone request to waive the cavern pressure test and pressure test the casing only because of the difficulty you had during the last inspection in maintaining pressure on the cavern is approved this time. NMOCD will evaluate this issue and notify you of future requirements.

Please have your well(s) ready for testing on the date and time you are scheduled. If there is some emergency which interferes with the scheduled date and time please call and notify NMOCD.

# Failure to notify NMOCD may result in your operations being suspended until testing is complete.

If you require any further information or assistance please do not hesitate to write or call me at (505-827-7155) or notify Mr. Roger Anderson at (505-827-7152).

Sincerely Yours,

Wayne Price-Pet. Engr. Spec. Environmental Bureau



NEW MEXICO MERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

September 11, 1999

#### <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z 357 870 149</u>

Mr. Sammy Stoneman Jim's Water Service P.O. Box 848 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Re: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells

Dear Mr. Sammy Stoneman:

The Underground Injection Control Program of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires that operators demonstrate mechanical integrity of all injection wells by ensuring there are no leaks in the tubing, casing, or packer, and injected/produced fluids are confined within the piping and injection zones.

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) requires operators of brine supply wells to perform the following mechanical integrity test:

- 1. At least once every five years isolate the cavern formation from the casing/tubing annuals and pressure test the casing at 300 psig for 30 minutes. New brine wells and wells being worked over will have to be tested in this manner before operations begin.
- 2. Annually perform an open hole cavern formation pressure test by pressuring up the formation one and one-half times the normal operating pressure (not to exceed formation fracture pressure) or 300 psig whichever is greater for four hours. Brine supply wells operating with packers will have to pressure both the cavern formation and casing/tubing annuals.

<u>Please find enclosed an OCD Brine Well Test Schedule and Test Procedure for this Fall October</u> 25, 1999 through November 2, 1999. <u>Please have your well ready for testing on the date and</u> <u>time you are schedule</u>. Operators will be responsible for providing equipment and shall bear all costs incurred. All test must be witnessed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

If you require any further information or assistance please do not hesitate to write or call me at (505-827-7155).

Sincerely Yours,

Wayne Price-Pet. Engr. Spec. Environmental Bureau

cc: OCD District Offices attachments- OCD Brine Well Test Schedule & Brine Well Testing Procedure Guidance Document

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#### **Brine Well Testing Procedure Guidance Document**

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- 3) Pressure devices i.e pumps, truck pumps, etc. must be isolated from the well head before and during test.
- 4) A continuous recording pressure chart with an 8 hour clock shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus. The pressure range shall not be greater than 1,000 psig. The operator must provide proof that the recording device has been calibrated within the past 6 months. Note: Wells with packer installed: If this test requires both the casing/tubing annulus and cavern to be tested then two recording devices must be supplied or one recording device with two pins.
- 5) A minimum of one pressure gage shall be installed in the system.
- 6) OCD must witness the beginning of test (putting chart on) and ending of test (removing chart). At the end of test operator shall bleed-off pressure by 10% to demonstrate recorder response.
- 7) The following information shall be place on the chart:
  - 1. Date, time test started, time stop.
  - 2. Company name, Discharge Plan #, well name and number, legal location UL, section, township, range and county.
  - 3. Type of Test; Open hole, Casing Test, or Both.
  - 4. Printed name and signature of company representative and OCD representative.

Note: NMOCD recognizes that different operations, well constructions and field conditions may cause variations in the above procedures. If operator wishes to make or anticipate changes please notify the OCD for approval.

OCD Fall of 1999 Brine Well Testing







## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

November 24, 1997

Mr. Sammy Stoneman Jim's Water Service P.O. Box 848 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

RE: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells

Dear Mr. Sammy Stoneman:

Enclosed is a copy of the mechanical integrity test conducted on your brine well. Please retain this copy for your records.

On behalf of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, I would like to thank you for your time and cooperation during the testing. If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-7155.

Sincerely, Mark Ashley Geologici

Geologist

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## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

August 12, 1997

Certified Mail Return Receipt No. P-288-258-954

Mr. Sammy Stoneman Jim's Water Service P.O. Box 848 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

RE: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells Annual Test Loco Hills Brine Station BW-005 Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stoneman:

The Underground Injection Control Program of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires that operators demonstrate mechanical integrity of all injection wells by ensuring that there are no leaks in the tubing, casing, or packer, and that the injected fluid is confined within the injection zone through proper cementing.

All brine wells that operate without a packer will be required to have an annual open hole pressure test equal to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psi, whichever is greater, for four hours with a maximum of 10 percent bleed-off allowed. Every five years or at the time of discharge plan renewals they will be required to have an open hole pressure test equal to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psi, whichever is greater, for four hours with zero bleed-off.

All brine wells that operate with a packer will be required to have an annual casing/tubing annulus pressure test equal to 300 psi for 30 minutes.

Operators will be responsible for providing equipment and shall bear all costs incurred. The date and time of all tests will be scheduled and witnessed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Please have your well ready for testing on September 19, 1997 at 9:00 AM as outlined below.

For brine wells operating without a packer:

1) The cavern must be pressured up and stabilized for a period of at least 24 hours prior to testing.

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- The system shall be tested to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psi, 2) whichever is greater, for a period of four hours. A maximum of 10 percent bleedoff will be allowed for annual tests. Testing conducted every five years or at the time of discharge plan renewal will have zero bleed-off.
- 3) A continuous recording pressure chart with an 8 hour clock shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus. The pressure range shall not be greater than 1,000 psi.
- Have well head prepared for test. All valves should be in good working order. 4)
- 5) All gauges shall be in good working order.
- 6) Have manpower and equipment available for pressure test.

For brine wells operating with a packer:

- 1) Have the casing/tubing annulus and tubing loaded with inert fluid prior to testing.
- 2) The casing/tubing annulus shall be tested to 300 psi for 30 minutes.
- 3) A continuous recording pressure chart with an 8 hour clock shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus. The pressure range shall not be greater than 1,000 psi.
- 4) Have well head prepared for test. All valves should be in good working order.
- 5) All gauges shall be in good working order.
- 6) Have manpower and equipment available for pressure test.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-7155.

Sincerely,

Mark Ashley





#### NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

August 16, 1996

Certified Mail Return Receipt No. P-288-258-822

Mr. Sammy Stoneman Jim's Water Service P.O. Box 848 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

RE: Mechanical Integrity Testing of Brine Supply Wells Discharge Plan Renewal Test Loco Hills Brine Station BW-005 Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stoneman:

The Underground Injection Control Program of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires that operators demonstrate mechanical integrity of all injection wells by ensuring that there are no leaks in the tubing, casing, or packer, and that the injected fluid is confined within the injection zone through proper cementing.

All brine wells that operate without a packer will be required to have an annual open hole pressure test equal to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig, whichever is greater, for four hours with a maximum of 10 percent bleed-off allowed. Every five years or at the time of discharge plan renewals they will be required to have an open hole pressure test equal to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig, whichever is greater, for four hours with zero bleed-off.

All brine wells that operate with a packer will be required to have an annual casing/tubing annulus pressure test equal to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig, whichever is greater, for four hours.

Operators will be responsible for providing equipment and shall bear all costs incurred. The date and time of all tests will be scheduled and witnessed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Please have your well ready for testing on September 16, 1996 at 1:30 PM as outlined below.
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For brine wells operating without a packer:

- 1) The cavern must be pressured up and stabilized for a period of at least 24 hours prior to testing.
- 2) The system shall be tested to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig, whichever is greater, for a period of four hours. A maximum of 10 percent bleedoff will be allowed for annual tests. Testing conducted every five years or at the time of discharge plan renewal will have zero bleed-off.
- 3) A continuous recording pressure chart with an 8 hour clock shall be installed on both the casing/tubing annulus and tubing. The pressure range shall not be greater than 1,000 psig.
- 4) Have well head prepared for test. All valves should be in good working order. All casing/tubing annulus and tubing valves shall be open.
- 5) All gauges shall be in good working order.
- 6) Have manpower and equipment available for pressure test.

For brine wells operating with a packer:

- 1) Have the casing/tubing annulus and tubing loaded with inert fluid prior to testing.
- 2) The casing/tubing annulus shall be tested to 1.5 times the normal operating pressure or 300 psig, whichever is greater, for four hours.
- 3) A continuous recording pressure chart with an 8 hour clock shall be installed on the casing/tubing annulus. The pressure range shall not be greater than 1,000 psig.
- 4) Have well head prepared for test. All valves should be in good working order.
- 5) All gauges shall be in good working order.
- 6) Have manpower and equipment available for pressure test.

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Sincerely,

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