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ChevronTexaco 15 Smith Road Midland, Texas 79705

Attn: Mr. Garrett Luig

Re: Injection Pressure Increase

North Vacuum Abo West Unit Well No. 3H

API: 30-025-224495

Surface Location: Unit L, Section 15,

Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM,

Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Luig:

Reference is made to your request received in the Santa Fe office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on September 9, 2003, to increase the surface injection pressure on the above-referenced horizontal water injection well. This request is based on a step rate test conducted on this well on March 7, 2002. The test results have been reviewed and we feel an increase in injection pressure is justified at this time.

Without modifying the tubing size or type (2-3/8 inch plastic coated), you are authorized to inject at or below 3,800-psi surface injection pressure.

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

Sincerely,

ori Wrotenbery

Director

cc:

Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs

Files: Case No. 7400, PMX-213, IPI-209