

**GW-355**

**General  
Correspondence**

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September 25, 2009

Mr. Leonard Lowe  
Environmental Bureau  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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RE: Proof of Notice as Required by NMAC 20.6.2.3108  
Discharge Plan Renewal Application  
Bell Lake Plant Remediation Site  
Transwestern Pipeline Company  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Leonard,

Notification was provided to property owners of the proposed discharge site as required by NMAC 20.6.2.3108. There are two property owners of the proposed discharge site: DCP Midstream and the State of New Mexico. DCP Midstream is the current owner and operator of the Bell Lake Plant facility. The State of New Mexico is the current owner of property adjacent to the plant site, including the area where Transwestern has proposed construction of an evaporation pond. The mailing for each of the property owners is as follows:

New Mexico State Land Office  
Attn: Surface Resources  
PO Box 1148  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

DCP Midstream  
Attn: Ms. Lynn Ward  
10 Desta Dr., Ste 400 West  
Midland, TX 79705

A copy of the notification letter provided to the property owners and a copy of the certified mail receipts are enclosed for proof of notice.

Also enclosed is a copy of the newspaper cut sheet providing proof of publishing a synopsis of the notice in a local newspaper. The synopsis was published on August 20, 2009 in the Carlsbad Current-Argus.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this document, please contact me at (281) 797-3420, or you may contact Larry Campbell at (575) 347-6017.

Sincerely,



George C. Robinson, PE  
President/Principal Engineer

xc w/enclosure:    Larry Campbell    Transwestern Pipeline Company  
                              Richard Spell        Transwestern Pipeline Company

August 27, 2009

Attn: Surface Resources  
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PO Box 1148  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

And,

Ms. Lynn Ward  
DCP Midstream  
10 Desta Drive, Suite 400-West  
Midland, TX 79705

*via certified mail*

RE: Notification of Discharge Plan Renewal  
Bell Lake Plant Remediation Site  
Lea County, New Mexico

Transwestern Pipeline Company (Transwestern) is the responsible party for groundwater remediation activities at the Bell Lake Plant remediation site located in Lea County, New Mexico. Transwestern has recently submitted a Discharge Plan Renewal application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) for continuation of groundwater remediation activities at the site. The purpose of this letter is to provide written notice to property owners of record as required under Section 20.6.2.3108 NMAC. The information specified under Subsection E of this Section is provided below.

*1. Name and address of proposed discharger*

Transwestern Pipeline Company  
Attn: Larry Campbell  
P.O. Box 1717  
Roswell, NM 88202-1717

Telephone No. (575) 625-8022

*2. Location of the discharge*

The current groundwater remediation system is located within the facility fence of the DCP Midstream Bell Lake Plant. Additional groundwater monitoring wells are located on State land adjacent to the Bell Lake Plant. The facility is located on the west side of County Road 21 in Lea County, New Mexico, approximately 25 miles northwest of Jal, New Mexico in SW1/4, NE1/4, Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 33 East.

3. *Brief description of the activities that produce the discharge*

Shallow groundwater beneath the Bell Lake Plant and adjacent property has been affected with petroleum hydrocarbons and other contaminants. In an ongoing effort, Transwestern installed and continues to operate a groundwater remediation system that consists of soil vapor extraction (SVE) and recovery of phase-separated hydrocarbons (PSH). In an effort to more aggressively remove PSH still present at the shallow water table, Transwestern has proposed an expansion to the groundwater remediation system that would include total fluid recovery pumps and an evaporation pond for management of recovered groundwater.

4. *Brief description of the expected quality and volume of the discharge*

Pumped groundwater will be the only source of effluent from the remediation system. Based on short-term pumping tests conducted at the site, the anticipated discharge rate of recovered groundwater will be 2-10 gallons per minute (gpm).

Semiannual monitoring of groundwater quality at the site has been ongoing since the fall of 1993. The persistent presence of PSH at the shallow water table and elevated concentrations of benzene dissolved in groundwater are the primary concern at the site.

5. *Depth to and total dissolved solids concentration of the ground water beneath the discharge site*

Groundwater is present at approximately 90 feet below ground surface within a relatively thin unconfined aquifer perched upon a clay layer present at approximately 100 feet bgs. Water samples collected from the shallow aquifer indicates that background total dissolved solids (TDS) concentrations are on the order of 800 mg/L.

6. *Address and phone number within the NMOCD by which interested persons may obtain information, submit comments, and request to be placed on a facility-specific mailing list for future notices*

Mr. Leonard Lowe  
Environmental Bureau  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Telephone No. (505) 476-3440

7. *Required statement:*

The department (NMOCD) will accept comments and statements of interest regarding the application and will create a facility-specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this notification, please contact George Robinson at (281) 797-3420 or you can contact me at (575) 625-8022.

Sincerely,

Larry Campbell  
Division Environmental Specialist  
Transwestern Pipeline Company

xc: Richard Spell            Transwestern Pipeline Company  
George Robinson        Cypress Engineering

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Ms. LYNN WARD  
DCP Midstream  
10 DESTA DR. STE 400 West  
Midland, TX  
79705

2. Article Number

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# Affidavit of Publication

State of New Mexico,  
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EDITOR

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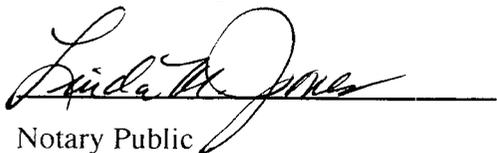
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This newspaper is duly qualified to  
publish legal notices or  
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Section 3, Chapter 167, Laws of  
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publication has been made.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to New Mexico Water Quality Conservation  
Regulations (2016:2:3106, NMAC), the following discharge permit application(s) has been  
submitted to the Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("NMOCD"), 1220  
S. Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, Telephone: (505) 476-3440.

(GW-048) Mr. Bob Stewart, Environmental Coordinator, Davis Gas Processing Inc.  
211 North Colorado, Midland Texas 79701, has submitted a renewal application for  
the previously approved discharge plan for their Denton Davis Gas Plant located in  
NW/4 SW/4 of Section 2, Township 15 South, Range 37E East, NMPM, Lea County.  
The facility compresses, treats, dehydrates and performs natural gas recovery. Ap-  
proximately 750 gallons/day of produced water and 210 bbls/day of condensate are  
generated and stored on-site. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill,  
leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 40 - 105 feet, with a total  
dissolved solids concentration of approximately 610 - 1600 mg/L.

(GW-355) Transwestern Pipeline Company P.O. Box 1717, Roswell N.M. 88202-1717,  
has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for  
their Abatement of ground water and vadose zone contamination at oil and gas  
sites, identified at the non-operational Bell Lake Gas Plant located in the SW/4 NE/4  
of Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County. The remedia-  
tion consists of pumping groundwater with elevated concentrations of Benzene in  
to yet to be approved ponds. Proposed effluents to be located on site will be stored  
in the ponds. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental  
discharge is at a depth of approximately 90 - 95 feet, with a total dissolved solids  
concentration of approximately 800 mg/L.

(GW-164) Mr. Mike Schornick, Environmental Engineer, Wood Group ESP, Inc. 6205  
Sooner Road Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73135 has submitted a renewal application  
for the previously approved discharge plan for their Oil and Gas Service Company  
at 8426 N. Dal Paso, Hobbs, located in the NW/4 WW/4 of Section 35, Township 17  
South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County. The facility is a service center for recon-  
ditioning electric submersible pumps used in the oil and gas industry. Approx-  
imately 6000 gal/month of rinseate waste water, 1000 gal/month of waste water, 275  
gallons of neutralized acid waste are generated and stored on-site. Groundwater  
most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of ap-  
proximately 56 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 458  
mg/L.

Ms. Diane Kocis, Senior Environmental Specialist, DCP Midstream LP, 370 17th  
Street, Suite 2500, Denver CO 80202 has submitted a renewal application for the pre-  
viously approved discharge plan for their

(GW-162) Antelope Ridge Gas Plant located in SW/4 SE/4 of Section 15, Township 23  
South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County. The facility is a natural gas processing  
plant that removes liquids from natural gas. Approximately 10 bbls/month of waste  
water, 10 bbls/year of waste oil, and 10 bbls/month of wash water are generated and  
stored on site. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accident-  
al discharge is at a depth of approximately 400 feet, with a total dissolved solids  
concentration of approximately 55 mg/L. (GW-167) Malaga Compressor Station, lo-  
cated in the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 3, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, NMPM,  
Eddy County. The facility is currently non operational but is capable to provide  
compression of natural gas for the Carlsbad gathering system. Storm water is the  
only effluent produced at this facility and is properly stored on-site. Groundwater  
most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of ap-  
proximately 39 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately  
5140 mg/L.

The discharge plan addresses how oilfield products and waste will be properly han-  
dled, stored, and disposed of, including how spills, leaks, and other accidental dis-  
charges to the surface will be managed in order to protect fresh water.

The NMOCD has determined that the application is administratively complete and has pre-  
pared a draft permit. The NMOCD will accept comments and statements of interest re-  
garding this application and will create a facility specific mailing list for persons who wish  
to receive future notices. Persons interested in obtaining further information, submitting  
comments or requesting to be on a facility specific mailing list for future notices may con-  
tact the Environmental Bureau Chief of the Oil Conservation Division at the address given  
above. The administrative completeness determination and draft permit may be viewed at  
the above address between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or may also  
be viewed at the NMOCD web site: <http://www.emprd.state.nm.us/ocd/>. Persons interested  
in obtaining a copy of the application and draft permit may contact the NMOCD at the ad-  
dress given above. Prior to ruling on any proposed discharge permit or major modification,  
the Director shall allow a period of at least thirty (30) days after the date of publication of  
this notice, during which interested persons may submit comments or request that  
NMOCD hold a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing shall set forth the reasons  
why a hearing should be held. A hearing will be held if the Director determines that there is  
significant public interest.

If no public hearing is held, the Director will approve or disapprove the proposed permit  
based on information available, including all comments received. If a public hearing is  
held, the director will approve or disapprove the proposed permit based on information in  
the permit application and information submitted at the hearing.

Para obtener más información sobre esta solicitud en español, sírvase comunicarse por  
favor: New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (Depto. Del En-  
ergía, Minerales y Recursos Naturales de Nuevo México), Oil Conservation Division (Depto.  
Conservación Del Petróleo), 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico (Con-  
tacto: Dorothy Phillips, 505-476-3461).

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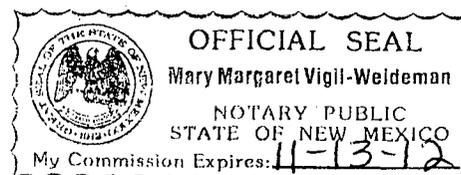
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/s/ V Wright  
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 12nd day of August, 2009

Notary Mary Margaret Vigil-Weideman  
Commission Expires: 11-13-2012



**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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dental discharge is at a depth of approximately 90 - 95 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 800 mg/L.

(GW-171) Ms. Jennifer Lange of BP America Production Company, 200 Energy Court, Farmington NM 87401 has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan permit for their 3-C Compressor Station located in the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 29, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, approximately one mile southwest of McGee Park and on the west side of Gallegos Canyon. The facility compresses gas from 50 psi to 300 psi and is able to handle 10 million SCF of gas per day. Approximately 300 gallons of lube oil, 400 bbls of produced water and 21 bbls of waste water are stored and/or generated onsite. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 200 - 250 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 1000 mg/L.

(GW-164) Mr. Mike Schornick, Environmental Engineer, Wood Group ESP, Inc. 6205 Sooner Road, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73135 has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for their Oil and Gas Service Company at 8426 N. Dal Paso, Hobbs, located in the NW/4 WW/4 of Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County. The facility is a service center for reconditioning electric submersible pumps used in the oil and gas industry. Approximately 6000 gal/month of rinsate waste water, 1000 gal/month of waste water, 275 gallons of neutralized acid waste are generated and stored in onsite. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 56 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 458 mg/L.

(GW-051) Val Verde Gas Gathering Company L.P., has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for their Val Verde Gas Plant located in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 11, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County. The facility removes CO2 from natural gas. Approximately 250 gallons/month of used oil, 300 bbls/year of pigging liquids, and 1000 bbls/month of waste water are generated and stored in onsite. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 26.5 - 55.5 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 5330 - 7620 mg/L.

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Mr. John Cannon, Environmental Specialist, Chevron USA, 332 Road 3100, Aztec N.M. 87410 has submitted a renewal application for the previously approved discharge plan for their: (GW-165) La Plata CDP # 2 compressor station located in the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 25, Township 32 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County. The facility compresses field natural gas. Approximately 30 bbls/month of produced water, 75 gallons/6 months of wash down water and 80 gallons/month of waste oil are generated and stored in onsite. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 26 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 748 mg/L. (GW-166) La Plata CDP # 7 compressor station located in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 1, Township 31 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County. The facility compresses field natural gas. Approximately 30 bbls/month of produced water, 70 gallons/3 months of wash down water and 50 gallons/month of waste oil are generated and stored in onsite. Groundwater most likely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 26 feet, with a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 748 mg/L.

The discharge plan addresses how oil-field products and waste will be properly handled, stored, and disposed of, including how spills, leaks, and other accidental discharges to the surface will be managed in order to protect fresh water.

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GIVEN under the Seal of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 5th day of August 2009.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Mark Fesmire,  
Director  
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