



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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June 9, 1998

Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc.
P.O. Box 730
Hobbs, New Mexico 88241-0730

Attn: Mr. Alan Holly

**RE: Injection Pressure Increase,
 West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit,
 Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Holly:

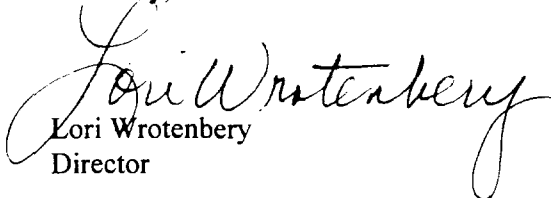
Reference is made to your request dated April 28, 1998 to increase the surface injection pressure on 2 wells in the above referenced waterflood project. This request is based on step rate tests conducted on April 14 and 15, 1998. The results of the tests have been reviewed by my staff and we feel an increase in injection pressure on these wells is justified at this time.

You are therefore authorized to increase the surface injection pressure on the following wells:

<i>Well and Location</i>	<i>Maximum Surface Injection Pressure</i>
West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit Well No.146 Unit Letter 'C', Section 32, Township 24 South, Range 38 East	1523 PSIG
Central Vacuum Unit Well No.151 Unit Letter 'B', Section 5, Township 25 South, Range 38 East	1615 PSIG
Both located in Lea County, New Mexico.	

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,


Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
 Files: WFXs-654(669); PSI-X 4th QTR-98