

SUBJECT: SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL

ORDER NO. SWD-176

THE APPLICATION OF EL PASO NATURAL GAS
COMPANY FOR A SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
OF THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Under the provisions of Rule 701 (C), El Paso Natural Gas Company made application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on June 16, 1976, for permission to complete for salt water disposal its Ute Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 11, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

The Secretary-Director finds:

1. That application has been duly filed under the provisions of Rule 701 (C) of the Commission Rules and Regulations;
2. That satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators and surface owners have been duly notified; and
3. That the applicant has presented satisfactory evidence that all requirements prescribed in Rule 701 (C) will be met.
4. That no objections have been received within the waiting period prescribed by said rule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant herein, El Paso Natural Gas Company is hereby authorized to complete its Ute Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 11, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the injection of salt water for disposal purposes into the Bluff and Entrada Sandstone formations at approximately 3765 feet to approximately 4152 feet through 2 7/8 inch plastic lined tubing set in a packer located at approximately 3700 feet.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That the operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

That the casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

That the operator shall notify the supervisor of the Commission's Aztec District Office before injection is commenced through said well.

That the operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Commission's Aztec District Office of the failure of the tubing, casing, or packer in said well or the leakage of water from or around said well and shall take such steps as may be timely or necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

PROVIDED FURTHER:

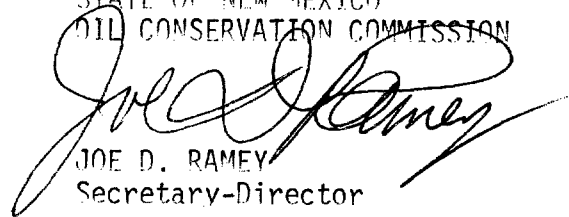
That jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Commission for such further order or orders as may seem necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of applicant to comply with any requirement of this order after notice and hearing, the Commission may terminate the authority hereby granted in the

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interest of conservation. That applicant shall submit monthly reports of the disposal operation in accordance with Rule 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

APPROVED at Santa Fe, New Mexico in this 6th day of July, 1976.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



JOE D. RAMEY
Secretary-Director

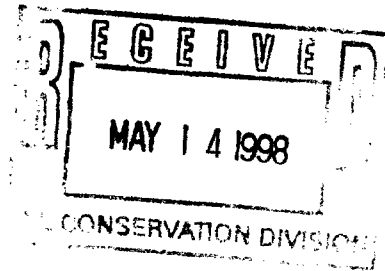
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REPLY TO: 6EN-WO

Ms. Peggy Bradfield
Burlington Resources, Inc.
PO Box 4289
Farmington, NM 87499-4289

Re: Mechanical Integrity
Inventory No.: NM9024
Well No.: Ute SWD 1
Location: SW/4, Sec. 11, T32N, R14W
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Thank you for your March 30, 1998, report concerning mechanical integrity of the referenced injection well. The report indicates that the well has mechanical integrity. It therefore complies with Environmental Protection Agency Underground Injection Control regulations. Mr. Rick Davis may request that you test the well in his presence when he again is inspecting wells in New Mexico.

Please contact me at 214-665-6459 if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Ronald J. Van Wyk
Environmental Engineer
AR/LA/OK NPDES (UIC) Section

cc: OCD, Santa Fe, NM
BLM, Farmington, NM
BIA, Albuquerque, NM
Chairman, Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council
Mr. Rick Davis, EPA, Pawhuska Field Office

BURLINGTON RESOURCES

SAN JUAN DIVISION

August 12, 1996

Certified Mail No. Z-382-118-155

Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
Oil Conservation Division
Attn: Mr. William LeMay
2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: **Name Change Notification**

Dear Mr. LeMay:

This letter is provided to inform you that Meridian Oil Inc. recently had a business name change to Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company effective July 11, 1996. Please note that UIC permits and discharge plans have not been transferred and no change of ownership has occurred. All UIC permits and discharge plans issued to and currently under review for Meridian Oil Inc. will now be associated with the Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company name. Attached is a list of UIC permits and discharge plans issued to Meridian Oil Inc. and applications under review.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please feel free to contact me at (505) 326-9841.

Sincerely,



Keith M. Boedecker
Sr. Staff Environmental Representative

cc: OCD - Aztec Office
Keith Baker - BR/File 6.07

OCD ISSUED UIC PERMITS and DISCHARGE PLANS

UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMITS

No.	Injection Well	OCD UIC Permit No.
1.	Ute No. 1	Order SWD-176
2.	San Juan 30-6 No. 112Y	Order SWD-305
3.	Cedar Hill SWD No. 1	Order SWD-337
4.	Pump Canyon	Order SWD-344
5.	Middle Mesa No. 1	Order SWD-350
6.	San Juan 30-6 No. 2	Order SWD-351
7.	San Juan 32-9 No. 5	Order SWD-432
8.	McGrath No. 4	OCD R-7370
9.	Jillson Federal No. 1	OCD R-10168

OCD DISCHARGE PLANS

No.	Facility	OCD Discharge Plan No.
1.	Gobernador Compressor Station	GW-56
2.	Pump Canyon Compressor Station	GW-57
3.	Hart Canyon Compressor Station	GW-58
4.	Manzanares Compressor Station	GW-59
5.	Middle Mesa Compressor Station	GW-77
6.	Rattlesnake Compressor Station	GW-93
7.	Sims Mesa Compressor Station	GW-146
8.	Pump Mesa Compressor Station	GW-148
9.	Val Verde Gas Plant	GW-169
10.	Arch Rock Compressor Station	GW-183
11.	Sandstone Compressor Station	GW-193
12.	Frances Mesa Compressor Station	GW-194

OCD DISCHARGE PLANS UNDER REVIEW

No.	Facility	OCD Discharge Plan No.
1.	Buena Vista Compressor Station	Not Assigned
2.	Cedar Hill Compressor Station	Not Assigned
3.	Quinn Compressor Station	GW-239