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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-918-402-358

Mr. Phillip L. Baca, P. E.
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P. O. Box 1492
El Paso, Texas 79978

RE: Disposal of Hydrotest Water

Dear Mr. Baca:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed your request, dated August 27, 1990, for authorization to dispose of approximately 191,000 gallons of hydrostatic test wastewater in an unlined pit located in the SW/4, Section 1, Township 26 South, Range 2 East, (NMPM), Dona Ana County, New Mexico. The wastewater will be generated from the testing of EPNG's 1100 and 1103 lines in the Anthony area.

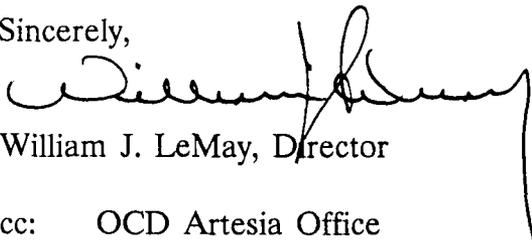
The application was submitted pursuant to Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulation 3-106.B and is hereby approved pursuant to that regulation with the following condition:

1. All water discharged from the line will be retained in the pit with adequate freeboard to prevent overtopping of the berm. No fluid will be allowed to be discharged or leaked onto the surrounding terrain.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this site is to be used for more than one hydrotest, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

If you have any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5884.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay, Director

cc: OCD Artesia Office