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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

July 18, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-160

Mr. Chuck Conner
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P.O. Box 1492
El Paso, Texas 79978

Re: **Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge
McKinley County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Connor:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) request, dated June 26, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 500,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of used pipeline (No.s 1300 and 1301), near Gallup, New Mexico, to the pipe trench and/or right of way. Included in the referenced request is the results of analytical testing (TCLP) indicating the waste to be non-hazardous.

Based on the information provided, the request is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The test waters will be discharged to the pipe trench to allow for the safe settling of the pipe or discharged to the right of way in a manner that erosion will be minimal.
2. The test waters will not be allowed to enter any lakes, streams, rivers or any surface body of water.

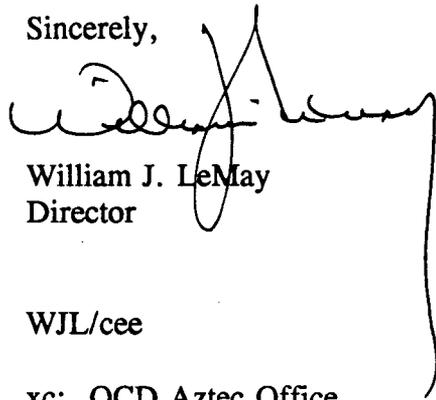
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan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

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve EPNG of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve EPNG of responsibility for compliance with other federal, state or local laws and/or regulations.

Mr. Chuck Connor
July 18, 1995
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If there are any questions, please call Chris Eustice at (505) 827-7153.

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/cee

xc: OCD Aztec Office



MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION

Telephone

Personal

Time 4:00 pm

Date 6-26-95

Originating Party

Other Parties

CHRIS EUSTICE - OCD | Chuck Connor - EPNG

Subject

Discharge of hydro test waters

Discussion

Lines 1300 & 1301 were tested w/ 500,000 gals of fresh water.

Water now in pipe tanks pending OCD approval to discharge to surface and/or trench.

TALP analytical indicates non-hazardous

Conclusions or Agreements

Gave verbal (yes) go ahead to discharge to pipe trench

Distribution

Signed



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May 31, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-143

Mr. Chuck Conner
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P.O. Box 1492
El Paso, Texas 79978

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge
McKinley County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Connor:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) request, dated May 23, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 502,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of used pipeline (No.s 1300 and 1301) near Gallup, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The initial pipeline rinse water (2000 gallons soapy water) will be discharged to a lined pond, located at EPNG Gallup Compressor Station, NE/4, Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico, for evaporation.
2. The 500,000 gallons of test water will be discharged to, and stored, in frac tanks.
3. EPNG will have the 500,000 gallons of test water analyzed for hazardous constituents and characteristics and will provide the OCD with the results of the analysis along with a request to dispose of the test waters.

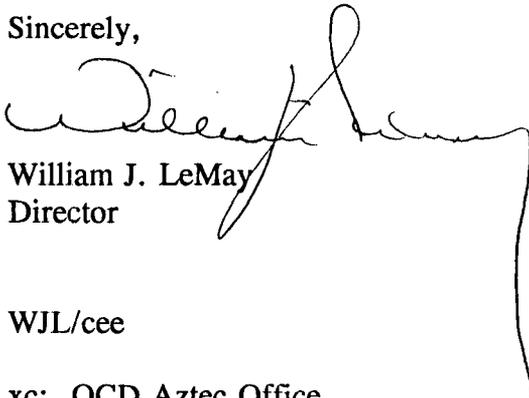
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan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

Mr. Chuck Connor
May 31, 1995
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Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
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May 31, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-176-012-144

Mr. Chuck Conner
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P.O. Box 1492
El Paso, Texas 79978

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge
McKinley County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Connor:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your request, dated May 23, 1995, for authorization to discharge approximately 210,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of a section of new pipeline (No. 1300 Pipeline) near Gallup, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Fresh water will be used to conduct the test.
2. The pipe must be new and never used for oil and/or gas transmission.
3. The test water will be discharged into the pipeline trench for safe settling of the pipe.

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

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve EPNG of liability should their operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve EPNG of responsibility for compliance with other federal, state or local laws and/or regulations.

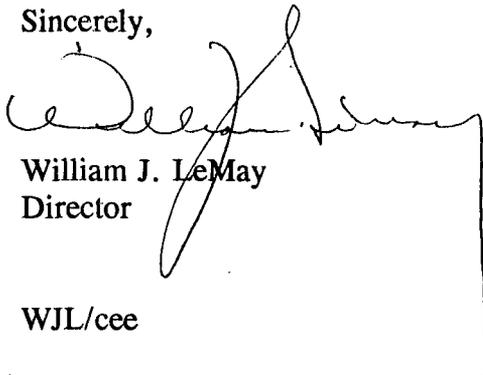
Mr. Chuck Connor

May 31, 1995

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Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay

Director

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BRUCE KING
GOVERNOR

February 4, 1992

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-670-683-495

Mr. Martin A. Fong
Compliance Engineer
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P.O. Box 1492
El Paso, Texas 79978

Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge

Dear Mr. Fong:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your request, dated January 24, 1992, for authorization to discharge approximately 6,500,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of El Paso Natural Gas Company's (EPNG) San Juan Mainline System in McKinley County near Gallup, New Mexico. The pipeline is new pipe and will not be washed prior to introduction of test water. The test water will be disposed of into the water source pond owned by Pittsburgh & Midway Coal Mining Company (P&M). The hydrostatic test will be conducted in several phases with all discharge occurring at one time into P&M's unlined pond located in the SW/4, Section 17, Township 16 North, Range 20 West, MNPM, McKinley, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved.

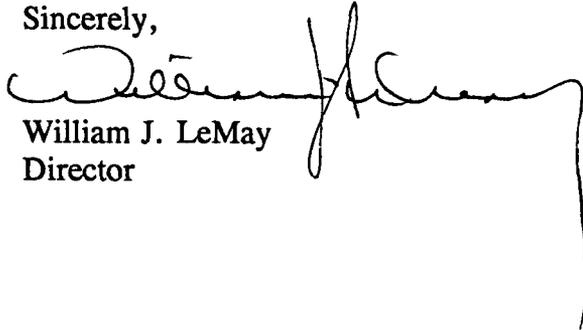
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan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

Mr. Martin A. Fong
February 4, 1992
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Please be advised that this approval does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters or the environment actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5812.

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
Director



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January 31, 1991

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-327-278-045

Ms. A. N. Pundari
EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY
P. O. Box 4990
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

RE: Hydrotest Water Discharge
San Juan Triangle Expansion
San Juan County, New Mexico

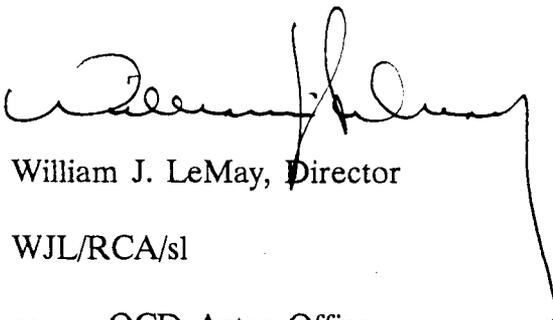
Dear Ms. Pundari:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed your request, dated January 29, 1991, to modify your authorization to discharge the above referenced hydrotest wastewater. The modification consists of changing the location of the lined disposal pond for the Phase I test from the NE/4, Section 26, Township 31 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, to a lined pit at your Blanco Plant.

Based on the information provided, the requested change of location for the disposal pond for the Phase I Hydrotest is hereby approved. All other conditions contained in the original approval dated December 26, 1990 remain in effect.

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

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay, Director

WJL/RCA/sl

cc: OCD Aztec Office



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GARREY CARRUTHERS
GOVERNOR

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December 26, 1990

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-327-278-018

Ms. A. N. Pundari
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P. O. Box 4990
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

RE: Hydrostatic Test Water Disposal
San Juan Triangle Expansion Project

Dear Ms. Pundari:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your request, dated November 26, 1990, for authorization to dispose of test water from two hydrostatic tests. The first discharge will be test water generated during a test of 14.2 miles of a new 30 inch pipeline originating in the NE/4, Section 24, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico and will be disposed of in lined pond in the NE/4, Section 26, Township 31 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

The second discharge will be test water generated during a test of 6.5 miles of a new 34 inch pipeline originating in the SE/4, Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, and will be disposed of in the non-contact wastewater ponds at EPNG's Chaco Plant.

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.

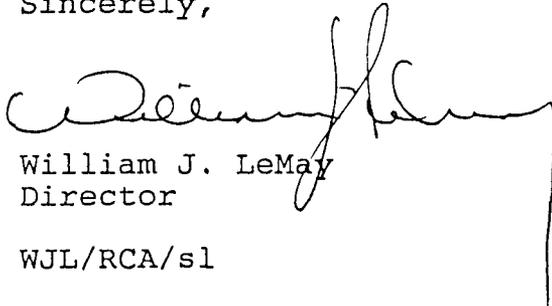
Mr. A. N. Pundari
December 26, 1990
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Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this site is to be used for more than one hydrotest, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters which may be actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

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

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Aztec OCD Office

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November 14, 1991

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO. 327-278-275

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

Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge

Dear Mr. Baca:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your request, dated October 31, 1991, for authorization to discharge approximately 140,000 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of the 1005 line in the Demming area. The pipeline will be washed prior to introduction of test water. The wash water will be disposed of at EPNG's lined pit at the Demming Compressor Station. The test water will be filtered prior to discharge into an unlined pit located in the NE/4, Section 18, Township 24 South, Range 6 West, MNPM, Luna County, New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved.

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 the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters or the environment actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5812.

Sincerely,

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William J. LeMay
Director

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October 23, 1989

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. L. E. Gearhart
Senior Environmental Engineer
El Paso Natural Gas Company
P.O. Box 1492
El Paso, TX 79798

RE: Disposal of Hydrotest Water

Dear Mr. Gearhart:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed your application, dated October 20, 1989, requesting temporary authorization to discharge approximately 633,000 gallons of hydrotest water into an unlined pit owned by the Pittsburgh and Midway Coal Mining Company at their McKinley Mine. The water from the pit is used for dust control at the mine. The wastewater will be generated from the hydrostatic test of used gas transmission line.

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

1. All water discharged from the line will be retained in the pit. No fluid will be allowed to be discharged or leaked on to the surrounding terrain.
2. A representative sample will be obtained by EPNG of the wash water, if used, and analyzed for volatile organic hydrocarbons.
3. A representative sample will be obtained by EPNG of the wastewater and analyzed for volatile organic hydrocarbons. Copies of the analysis will be supplied to the OCD and the Pittsburgh and Midway Coal Mining Company.

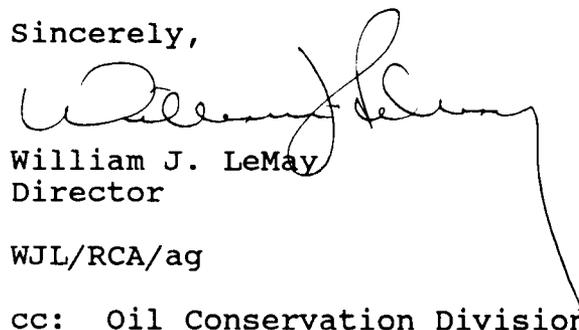
Mr. L. E. Gearhart
El Paso Natural Gas Company
October 23, 1989
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Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this site is to be used for more than one hydrotest, formal re-application must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters which may be actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5885.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

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August 12, 1988

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. L. E. Gearhart
Senior Environmental Engineer
EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY
P. O. Box 1492
El Paso, Texas 7978

RE: Disposal of Hydrotest Water

Dear Mr. Gearhart:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed your application, dated July 28, 1988, requesting temporary authorization to discharge approximately 309,491 and 131,536 gallons of hydrotest water in two stages into an unlined pit located in the NW/4 Section 16, Township 16 North, Range 20 West. The waste water will be generated from the hydrostatic test of two sections of used gas transmission line.

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

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 on to the surrounding terrain.
2. A representative sample will be obtained by EPNG of the wash water, if used, and analyzed for volatile organic hydrocarbons.
3. A representative sample will be obtained by EPNG of the wastewater and analyzed for volatile organic hydrocarbons.
4. Upon cessation of the discharge and evaporation or removal of the water from the pit, the pit will be closed and reclaimed utilizing approved closure methods.

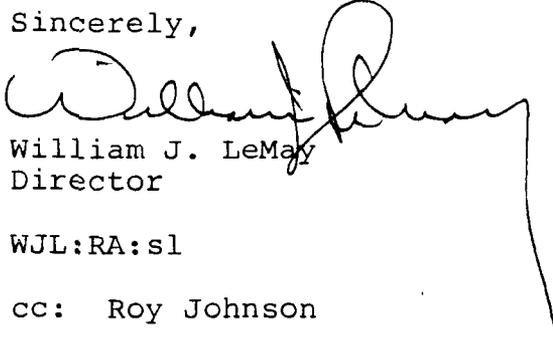
Mr. L. E. Gearha
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Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If this site is to be used for more than one hydrotest, formal reapplication must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

Please be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters which may be actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5885.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Roy Johnson