

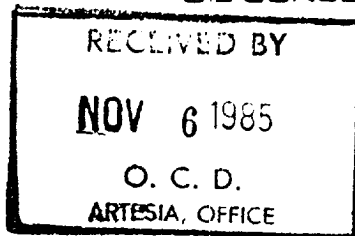
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Mr. C. W. Zahn
Phillips Petroleum Company
40001 Penbrook
Odessa, Texas 79762

Re: Wastewater Discharge Plan - Artesia Plant

Dear Mr. Zahn:

We have received your letter dated October 22, 1985 requesting a 60-day extension of the October 31 deadline established for start-up of your new wastewater system at the Artesia plant. It is our understanding that the injection well is operational but piping and surface equipment installation has been delayed.

Pursuant to Section 3-106.A. of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations, Phillips is hereby granted its request for an extension until December 30, 1985 to dispose of all wastewater through the injection well system. Installation of a 15,000 bbl tank for emergency overflow from the system shall also be completed by that date.

Regarding the dewatering and closure of the evaporation pond, it is our understanding that the Environmental Improvement Division is waiting on laboratory analyses of samples taken from the pond to determine closure procedures in accordance with RCRA regulations. We hereby grant you an extension of the November 30, 1985 deadline for closure of this pond with the following provisions:

- 1) Natural precipitation will be the only fluid added to the pond.
- 2) The Oil Conservation Division will be immediately notified of the deadline for and method of closure established by the EID.
- 3) The OCD will be notified of the actual closure date of the pond.

If you have any questions concerning this extension, contact Jami Bailey at (505) 827-5884, or David Boyer at (505) 827-5812.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. L. Stamets", written in dark ink.

R. L. STAMETS
Director

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cc: OCD-Artesia