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Mr. Scott T. Pope
El Paso Corporation
2 North Nevada
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

**RE: CASE #3R-186
JENNAPAH #1 WELL SITE
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**



Dear Mr. Pope:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed El Paso Field Services (EPFS) May 19, 2004 "CLOSURE REQUEST FOR THE JENNAPAH #1". This document contains the results of EPFS's monitoring and remediation of contaminated soil and ground water related to the closure of an unlined drip pit at the Jennapah #1 well site in Unit H, Section 36, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, San Juan County, New Mexico. The document also requests final closure of the site based on remediation and monitoring actions taken to date.

Final closure for the above-referenced pit site is approved on the condition that the site monitor wells be plugged and abandoned by cutting the casing off below ground surface and filling the casing annulus from bottom to top with a cement grout containing 3-5 % bentonite. Please be aware that OCD approval does not relieve EPFS of responsibility if remaining contaminants pose a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve EPFS of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, tribal or local laws and regulations.

If you have any questions, please call me at (505) 476-3491.

Sincerely,

William C. Olson
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