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March 6, 1992

R. E. Sitta, Jr. 339 U. S. Highway 64 NBU 3002 Farmington, NM 87401

RE: Violations of Oil Conservation Division Rules and regulations at the Westwater Federal

6 #1 and Wild Swede #1.

Dear Mr. Sitta:

The Westwater Federal 6 #1, B-06-T30N-R15W and the Wild Swede #1, H-06-30N-15W, both display well signs listing R. E. Sitta, Jr. as the operator although the OCD has never received a C-104 listing R.E. Sitta as operator for either well. The Westwater Federal 6 #1 has oil in the pit in violation of Oil Conservation Division Rule #3. The Wild Swede #1 has a pit that is oil soaked and should be aerated before hydrocarbons reach freshwater; also the wellhead has significant amounts of free oil around it. This oil constitutes a danger to livestock and is a violation of our Rule #3. The rancher who has pasture leased is putting cows into this area next week. R. E. Sitta, Jr. as the responsible party will clean up and remediate the pits and oil which constitute violations by March 16,1992. If the pits and locations continue to remain in violation of OCD rules and regulations, fines of up to \$1,000 per day per violation from the date of this letter may be levied.

If you have questions please contact this office.

Yours truly,

Denny G. Foust

Deputy Oil and Gas Inspector

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