

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Division Order No. IPI-247

Mewbourne Oil Company P.O. Box 7698 Tyler, Texas 75711

Attention: Mr. K. M. Calvert

RE: Injection Pressure Increase Querecho Plains Queen Associated Waterflood Project Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Calvert:

Reference is made to your request received by the Division on January 20, 2005 to increase the surface injection pressure on four wells within the Querecho Plains Queen Associated Waterflood Project. The request to increase the surface injection pressure on these wells is based upon recently-conducted step rate tests. The results of the step rate tests show that an increase in the surface injection pressure for these wells is justified and will not result in the fracturing of the confining strata.

You are therefore authorized to increase the surface injection pressure on the following-described wells located in Township 18 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico:

WELL NAME & NUMBER	MAXIMUM SURFACE INJECTION PRESSURE
Querecho Plains QA Sand Unit Well No. 3 API No. 30-025-24674	1850 PSIG
1980' FSL & 1980' FEL, Unit J, Section 23	
Querecho Plains QA Sand Unit Well No. 6	1500 PSIG
API No. 30-025-27909	
1650' FSL & 330' FEL, Unit I, Section 22	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Querecho Plains QA Sand Unit Well No. 13	2300 PSIG
API No. 30-025-28149	
330' FSL & 2310' FWL, Unit N, Section 22	

WELL NAME & NUMBER	MAXIMUM SURFACE INJECTION PRESSURE
Querecho Plains QA Sand Unit Well No. 14 API No. 30-025-28050	2230 PSIG
660' FSL & 1650' FEL, Unit O, Section 22	

The Division Director may rescind this injection pressure increase if it becomes apparent that the injected fluid is not being confined to the injection zone or is endangering any fresh water aquifers.

Sincerely,

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs File: Case No. 10960 File: WFX-695