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March 9, 2005

Division Order No. IPI-250

Platinum Exploration Inc. 550 West Texas Avenue Suite 200 Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Mr. Fritz Schoch

RE: Injection Pressure Increase

Smith SWD Well No. 1 Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Schoch:

Reference is made to your request received by the Division on March 7, 2005, to increase the surface injection pressure on the Smith SWD Well No. 1. This request is based on a step rate test conducted on the well on February 18, 2005. The results of the step rate test show that an increase in the surface injection pressure for this well is justified and will not result in the fracturing of the injection formation and confining strata.

You are therefore authorized to increase the surface injection pressure on the following well:

WELL NAME & NUMBER	MAXIMUM SURFACE INJECTION PRESSURE
Smith SWD Well No. 1 API No. 30-025-28478 Unit F, Section 13, T-14 South, R-37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico	1650 PSIG

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.

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Sincerely,

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Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.

Division Director

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