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May 3, 2010

Brad Jones
State of New Mexico - Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: EMW Gas Association Natural Gas Pipeline Project

Dear Mr. Jones,

JK Associates, Inc. has been retained by EMW Gas Association (EMW) in Estancia, New Mexico to design and provide project management for a new 30 mile natural gas pipeline. The purpose of this letter is to introduce the two attached requests for this project. The first is a Request for an Annual Temporary Permit to discharge hydrostatic test water for volumes less than 25,000 gallons. The second is a Notice of Intent to hydrostatic test and Discharge water for a volume more than 25,000 gallons.

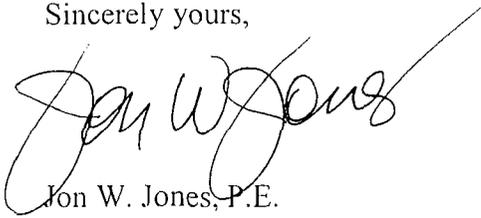
I am attaching copies of USGS quadrangle maps which outline the alignment for the pipeline. The pipeline project will begin in the NW corner of Section 27, Township 1 N, Range 8 E and continue north for approximately 30 miles and terminate in the NW corner of Section 28, Township 6 N, Range 8 E. The pipeline project has a beginning station (valves, metering and regulation), four block valve stations spaced along the 30 mile pipeline and an end station (valves and regulation) at the end of the project. These stations will require hydrostatic testing but the volume of water required will be less than 25,000 gallons. This testing will be done in June and July 2010 and hence the need for the annual temporary permit. The 30 miles of pipeline will be hydrostatically tested separately and will require more than 25,000 gallons of water hence the NOI request. This test will occur in October 2010.

I would appreciate your review of the two requests for this project. Should you have any questions, I may be contacted by phone or e-mail. Thank you for your assistance.

JK Associates, Inc.

Professional Engineering Services

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Jones". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jon W. Jones, P.E.

JK Associates, Inc.

(505) 263-0819

jkengineers@wildblue.net

Enclosures – Request for Annual Temporary Permit w/check for \$250.00

Notice of Intent to Hydrostatic Test and Discharge 30 mile Natural Gas Pipeline
w/check for \$100.00

cc: Ronnie Reynolds, General Manager, EMW Gas Association

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. _____ dated 5/3/10
or cash received on _____ in the amount of \$ 100⁰⁰

from JK Associates Inc

for HBP-23

Submitted by: Lawrence Puccio Date: 5/6/10

Submitted to ASD by: Jessica Puccio Date: 5/6/10

Received in ASD by: _____ Date: _____

Filing Fee New Facility _____ Renewal _____

Modification _____ Other _____

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2010

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment _____ or Annual Increment _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. _____ dated 5/3/10

or cash received on _____ in the amount of \$ 150⁰⁰

from JK Associates Inc

for HBP-23

Submitted by: Lawrence Romero Date: 5/6/10

Submitted to ASD by: Lawrence Romero Date: 5/6/10

Received in ASD by: _____ Date: _____

Filing Fee _____ New Facility _____ Renewal _____

Modification _____ Other Temp Permission

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2010

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment _____ or Annual Increment _____

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

May 3, 2010

Brad Jones
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Subject: EMW Gas Association Request for Annual Temporary Permission to Discharge
Hydrostatic Test Water

Dear Mr. Jones:

EMW Gas Association (EMW) is requesting an Annual Temporary Permission to discharge hydrostatic test water from new natural gas pipelines. Discharges will occur within EMW's right-of-way and will be done in a manner to control erosion and prevent sediment discharging from the site. Methods of controlling sediment include: filter bags, detention basins, utilizing a water truck to spray test waters for dust suppression on the right-of-way, working the test water into the trench spoils to aid with compaction, or placing water in the trench and allowing it to soak or evaporate.

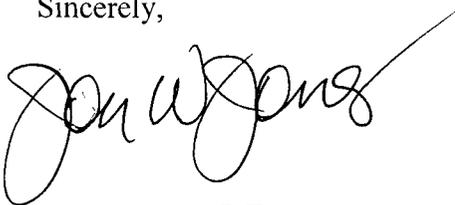
The annual temporary permission authorizes EMW to discharge hydrostatic test waters throughout the service area of EMW, within the Estancia Basin and the communities of Estancia, Edgewood, Moriarty and Willard, New Mexico under the following conditions:

1. The volume does not exceed 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test;
2. Only water from a public/municipal water supply or other OCD approved sources will be used for each test;
3. EMW will provide oral or written notification to the OCD 72 hours prior to each hydrostatic discharge event;
4. Test water will not enter any lake, perennial stream, river or their respective tributaries that may be seasonal;
5. No discharge shall occur:
 - i. where ground water is less than 10 feet below ground surface;
 - ii. within 200 feet of a watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole or playa lake;

- iii. within an existing wellhead protection area;
 - iv. within 500 feet of a wetland; or
 - v. within 500 feet from the nearest permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church;
6. The discharge will not cause any fresh water supplies to be degraded or to exceed standards as set forth in Subsections A, B, and C of the 20.6.2.3103 NMAC (the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations);
7. Best management practices will be implemented to contain the discharge onsite, ensure that it does not impact adjacent property, and to control erosion;
8. The landowner(s) of each proposed discharge and/or collection/retention or alternative discharge location will be properly notified of the activities prior to each proposed hydrostatic test event; and
9. EMW will submit an annual report, summarizing all tests of new pipe with less than 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test event, to the OCD within 45 days after the temporary permission expiration date. The report shall contain the following information:
- i. location of hydrostatic test (Section, Township and Range or GPS coordinates);
 - ii. date of each test;
 - iii. volume of each discharge; and
 - iv. source and quality of test water (laboratory analysis, if necessary).

Enclosed is a check for \$250 to cover the filing and temporary permission fees. Please feel free to call me at (505) 263-0819 if you have any questions. I appreciate your timely review of this request.

Sincerely,



Jon W. Jones, P.E.
JK Associates, Inc.
(505) 263-0819
jkengineers@wildblue.net

Enclosure - Check

cc: Ronnie Reynolds, General Manager, EMW Gas Association