STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO.8880 Order No. R-8219

APPLICATION OF DWIGHT CRAWFORD, d/b/a/ CRAWFORD TREATING COMPANY FOR AN OIL TREATING PLANT PERMIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on April 30, 1986, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>9th</u> day of May, 1986, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) The applicant, Dwight Crawford, d/b/a/ Crawford Treating Company, seeks authority to construct and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the processing of approximately 500 barrels of sediment oil per day to be obtained from tank bottoms, disposal water, and waste pits.

(3) Dikes, dams and/or emergency pits should be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location in order that sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil cannot escape from the immediate vicinity of such plant.

(4) The proposed plant and method of processing will efficiently process, treat, and reclaim the aforementioned waste oil, thereby salvaging oil which would otherwise be wasted.

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(5) The Director of the Division should be authorized to administratively grant approval for the expansion or modification of said plant.

(6) The subject application should be approved as being in the best interests of conservation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The applicant, Dwight Crawford, d/b/a/ Crawford Treating Company, is hereby authorized to install and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil to be obtained from tank bottoms, waste pits and disposal water.

PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT, the continuation of the authorization granted by this order shall be conditioned upon compliance with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division;

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT, prior to commencing operation of said plant, the applicant shall file with the Division and obtain approval of a performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 conditioned upon substantial compliance with applicable statutes of the State of New Mexico and all rules, regulations and orders of the Oil Conservation Division.

(2) The operator of the above-described oil treating plant shall clear and maintain in a condition clear of all debris and vegetation a fireline at least 15 feet in width and encircling the site upon which the plant is located.

(3) Dikes, dams and/or emergency pits shall be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location and capable of preventing the escape of any sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil from the immediate vicinity of said plant.

(4) The disposal of waste water accumulated in conjunction with the operation of the above-described plant on the surface of the ground, or in any pit, pond, lake, depression, draw, streambed, or arroyo, or in any watercourse, or in any other place or in any manner which will constitute a hazard to any fresh water supplies is hereby prohibited.

(5) The Director of the Division may administratively grant authority for the expansion or modification of said plant

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> upon request and a demonstration that such expansion or modification is upon contiguous acreage and is otherwise consistent with this order and Division Rules and Regulations.

> (6) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Director

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PRINCIPAL:CRAWFORD TREATING COMPANYSURETY:American ManufacturersBOND NO.:3SE439154BOND NO.:\$10,000 Treating Plant BondTYPE:\$10,000 Treating Plant BondAPPROVED:May 19, 1986CANCELLED:July 5, 1988 (Cancelled)WELL LOCATION:

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NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

BILL RICHARDSON Governor Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary

April 8, 2003

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Dwight Crawford d/b/a Crawford Treating Company 1708 Chama Hobbs, NM 88240

American Manufactures Mutual Insurance Co. One Kemper Drive Long Grove, IL 600049-0001

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Oil Treating Plant at NW/4 SW/4 of Section 12, Township 20 South Range 38 E. NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico permitted by Order No. R-2819 issued in Case No. 8880, under date of May 9, 1986.

Ladies and Gentelmen:

The Oil Conservation Division has determined that disposal operations have ceased at the referenced facility, and there has been no significant activity at the facility for a period substantially in excess of six (6) months. Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 711.D [19.15.9.711.D NMAC], the Division has further determined that the referenced facility shall be closed. In the absence of a response to this letter, the Division will proceed with an application for a hearing to show cause why the permit for this facility should not be revoked, the permittee ordered to close the facility in accordance with said Rule 711.D, and the operator's bond forfeited to the extent necessary to defray costs of closing the facility. You posted a surety bond, in the amount of \$10,000, No. 3SE439154 issued by American Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company in 1986.

Forfeiture may be avoided if the permitee or another party agrees to submit a closure plan and perform closure operations in accordance with Rule 711 and satisfies the Division that such party has the ability to satisfy the conditions required for closure. The surety may assume responsibility for closure of the facility if the surety can demonstrate to the satisfactions of the Division that it has the ability to complete the closure in accordance with a Division-approved plan.

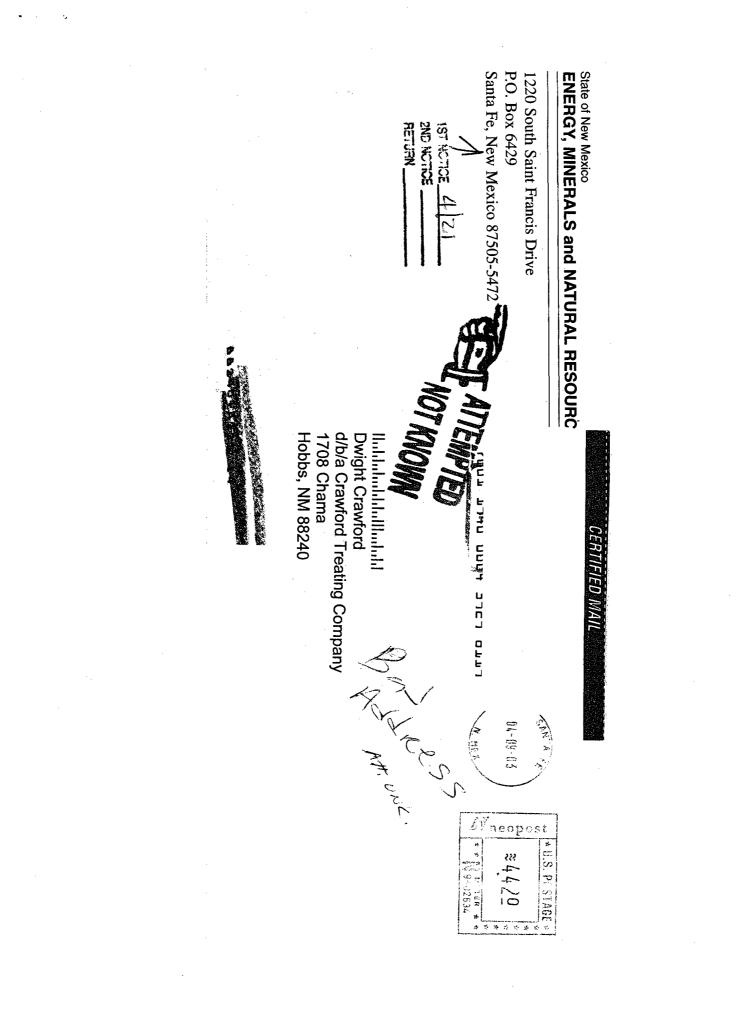
Unless the permitee or surety submits to this office, no later than May 8, 2003 an agreement to submit a closure plan and perform closure operations, the Division will proceed to schedule a permit revocation hearing.

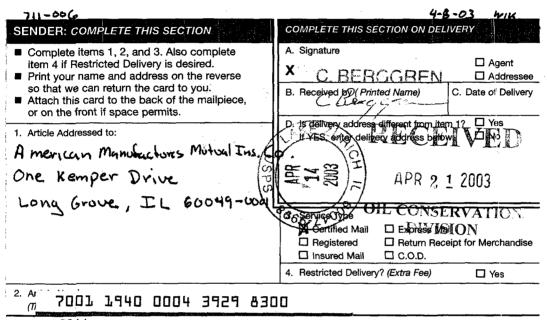
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Should you have any questions, please call Martyne Kieling at (505)-476-3488. Very truly yours, 5 Roger C. Anderson Environmental Bureau Chief

David K. Brooks OCD legal ec:





PS Form 3811, August 2001

Domestic Return Receipt

102595-01-M-2509

Dwight Crawford d/b/a Crawford Treating Company Permit to operate via Order 8880, Environmental File 711-006 OCD Inspection May 20, 2003 Larry Johnson, Hobbs District Office



Photo 1: 5-tanks, one tanker trailer, and contaminated soil from releases.



Photo 2: 5-tanks and contaminated soil from releases.

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