



**NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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November 20, 1998

Conoco, Inc.
10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W
Midland, Texas 79705-4500

Attn: Ms. Ann Ritchie

**RE: Injection Pressure Increase,
Hardy '36' State Well No.3
Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Ritchie:

Reference is made to your request dated November 17, 1998 to increase the surface injection pressure on the above referenced well. This request is based on a step rate test conducted on September 23, 1998. The results of the test have been reviewed by my staff and we feel an increase in injection pressure on this well is justified at this time.

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

<i>Well and Location</i>	<i>Maximum Surface Injection Pressure</i>
Hardy '36' State Well No.3	1804 PSIG
Located in 'G' of Section 36, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.	

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

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery,
Director

LW/BES/kv

cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs
Files: Case File No.11779; PSI-X 2nd QTR99