



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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February 16, 1982

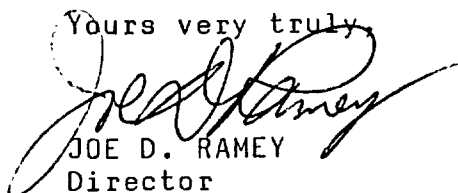
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(505) 827-2434

Petro-Thermo Corporation
P. O. Box 2069
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is an approved copy of your Form C-133 which
you submitted on February 8, 1982.

Yours very truly,

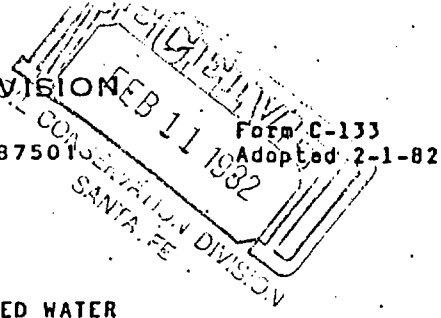

JOE D. RAMEY
Director

JDR/fd
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OF NEW MEXICO
MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

P. O. BOX 2088
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501



AUTHORIZATION TO MOVE PRODUCED WATER

Transporter Name PETRO-THERMO CORPORATION
Address P. O. BOX 2069 Office Location (If different) _____
HOBBS, NM 88240
Phone Number(s) 393-2417, 397-3557, 397-3558
State Corporation Commission Permit No. NMSCC 21449

NOTE: It is the responsibility of each holder of an approved Form C-133 to familiarize its personnel with the content of Division Rules 709 and 710 and to assure operations in compliance therewith. Failure to move and dispose of produced water in accordance with Division Rules 709 and 710 are cause for cancellation of Form C-133 and the authority to move produced water.

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed W. G. ABBOTT Title PRESIDENT

Date FEBRUARY 8, 1982

(This space for State Use)

Approved by [Signature] Title Div. Director

Date 2/15/82

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DAILY FIELD TRIP REPORT
DISTRICT I

NAME Eddie W Seay DATE 10/7/86 MILES 44
DEPARTURE 7 AM RETURN 4 PM CAR NO. 7360

In the space below indicate the purpose of the trip and the duties performed, listing wells or leases visited and any action taken.

Signature _____

W	0	0	6	6 Others - Monument Area To collect water samples with Mr. Dave Boyer-OCD Santa Fe. Collect 6 samples from Mr. Joe Williams Ranch, Sec. 33 & 34-T19S-R37E. Deliver to lab for analysis.
M	0 (E)	0	2	1 Other - Hobbs Area Received complaint about smelly water running into street, out of Petro Thermo yard. I called Mr. Jim Thornton about the problem, he said it was fresh water. I instructed someone meet me at the site. One of the trucking people met me there; yard was full of water. I instructed him to cleanup. Sample was taken in street area and pictures taken. Picture #1 taken in street area: 5 to 10 barrels H ₂ O. Picture #2 back SE Corner area - approx. 4 inches deep, yard area approx. 75 barrels water. Area was cleaned up.

<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Per Diem</u>	<u>Hours</u>
UIC _____	UIC _____	UIC _____
RFA _____	RFA _____	RFA _____
Other 44	Other 6.00	Other 8

TYPE INSPECTION
PERFORMED

INSPECTION
CLASSIFICATION

NATURE OF SPECIFIC WELL
OR FACILITY INSPECTED

H - Housekeeping
P - Plugging
C - Plugging Cleanup
T - Well Test
R - Repair/Workover
F - Waterflow
M - Mishap or Spill
W - Water Contamination
O - Other

U - Underground Injection Control - Any inspection of or related to injection project, facility, or well or resulting from injection into any well. (SWD, 2ndry injection and production wells, water flows or pressure tests, surface injection equipment, plugging, etc.)
R - Inspections relating to Reclamation Fund Activity
O - Other - Inspections not related to injection or The Reclamation Fund
E - Indicated some form of enforcement action taken in the field (show immediately below the letter U, R or O)

D - Drilling
P - Production
I - Injection
C - Combined prod. inj. operations
S - SWD
U - Underground Storage
G - General Operation
F - Facility or location
M - Meeting
O - Other



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

TONEY ANAYA
GOVERNOR

POST OFFICE BOX 1980
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88240
(505) 393-6161

DATE: November 5, 1986

FOR: R. L. Stamets

FROM: Jerry Sexton *J.S.*

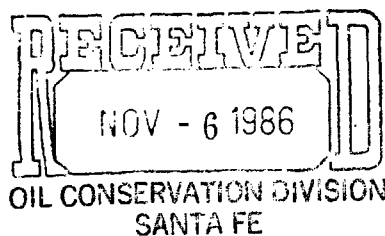
Case 9051

Attached is Eddie Seay's report on Petro Thermo's dumping salt water in their yard.

I think everything attached will hold up for whatever action you think is appropriate. Be sure the photos are not lost as they are very strong evidence.

Jerry Sexton
Supervisor, Dist I

JS:jm





STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

TONEY ANAYA
GOVERNOR

November 6, 1986

POST OFFICE BOX 2088
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501-2088
(505) 827-5800

Case File
Case 9051

Petro-Thermo Corporation
P. O. Box 2069
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you of a case to be called by the Oil Conservation Division so that you may appear and show cause why your Form C-133, Authorization To Move Produced Water, should not be cancelled.

The basis for this hearing is an incident which occurred at your yard on October 7, 1986. According to the report that I have, a large volume of salt water was discharged from one of your trucks at that location. Such a discharge is prohibited by Order No. R-3221. This case will be scheduled for December 3, 1986.

If there are any extenuating circumstances you would like to call to my attention, please feel free to do so.

Sincerely,

R. L. STAMETS
Director

RLS/fd

cc: Jerry Sexton

PETRO-THERMO CORPORATION

P.O. BOX 2069 PHONES (505) 393-2417 — 397-3557
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88241-2069



November 10, 1986

Mr. R.L. Stamets
Director
State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501-2088

*Case file
case 9051*

Dear Mr. Stamets:

Regarding your letter of November 6, 1986, Petro-Thermo Corporation questions the validity of the erroneous report citing a salt water discharge at our trucking yard on October 7, 1986.

Our company wishes to be absolved of any alleged violation of Division Order R-3221 and offer the following explanation for your consideration: On October 7, 1986, Petro-Thermo Corporation trailer number 47 was steam-cleaned on the inside in preparation for some minor welding repairs to be made. After repairing the trailer, Petro-Thermo Corporation employee Dan Roberts was instructed to load it with approximately 20 barrels of fresh water from the City of Hobbs water supply valve located at our truck yard, in order to test the quality of the welding repairs made.

After checking the trailer for leaks, Petro-Thermo Corporation employee Joe Espinoza was instructed to discharge the fresh water onto the truck yard which he did as directed.

If you require further information evidencing this particular incident, please contact our office. It is our desire to resolve this matter amicably.

Yours very truly,

Petro-Thermo Corporation

Robert W. Abbott by JJA

Robert W. Abbott
Vice President

RWA/dlb

xc: Jerry Sexton

MADDOX, RENFROW & SAUNDERS

PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW

POST OFFICE BOX 5370

HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88241

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BROADMOOR BUILDING
(505) 393-0505

November 19, 1986

Mr. R. L. Stamets
Director, Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
State Land Office Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501-2088

RE: In the Matter of the Hearing called by the Oil Conservation
Division on its own Motion; Case No. 9051

Dear Mr. Stamets:

This is written to respectfully request that the public hearing
to be held at 8:15 a.m. on December 3, 1986 in the above-numbered
case be continued.

As we discussed by telephone this afternoon, Mr. W. G. Abbott has
certain unavoidable commitments which will preclude his
attendance at the hearing in Santa Fe on December 3, 1986.

Your consideration of this request is sincerely appreciated.
Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to
telephone.

Very truly yours,


John Paul Weber

JPW:sfp

ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

GARREY CARRUTHERS
SOLICITOR

February 5, 1987

Case No. 9051
m.s.POST OFFICE BOX 2088
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501
(505) 827-5900MEMORANDUM

TO: W. J. LeMAY, DIRECTOR

THROUGH: D. G. BOYER, ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU CHIEF

FROM: R. C. ANDERSON, ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER
J. C. BAILEY, FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

SUBJECT: PETRO-THERMO

*Concur with
Regulatory*

On January 27, 1987, an inspection, authorized and required by Order R-8395, of the Petro-Thermo service yard was conducted by us. There are no large quantities of wastewater discharged at the site. Evidence of reoccurring smaller discharges on the yard was abundant. The following are the areas of concern where evidence of spills were found:

1. On the east side of the yard, approximately 5 feet inside the fence was an area approximately 95 feet long and 3 feet wide of diesel stained soil. There were numerous pools of liquid diesel standing in this area. One truck, No. 57, was observed leaking diesel from the fuel tank. Dried salt cake that has formed on the surface of this area also indicates this area has collected spilled or leaked brine. The size and coloration of this area indicate a large amount of contaminants have collected, and possibly seeped toward ground water, during the yard's 12 years of operation.
2. A berm approximately 4 inches high was observed along the east and south fences. These berms were presumably constructed to contain fluids within the property boundaries, however, ditches were cut through these berms at regular intervals to allow drainage off the property. Stains and salt crusts on the ruts and along the alley indicate diesel and brine have been allowed to leave the property.
3. The ground surrounding the fuel pumps was extensively stained indicating diesel spills have been numerous over the 12 years operation of the facility. No concrete pads or curbs are around the fuel island to contain any spills or overflows and prevent the diesel's downward migration.

4. Truck wash fluid from the wash pad drains directly to a buried sump. The sump appears to be cement blocks stacked on each other without mortar. This allows infiltration of the wastewater directly to the subsurface.
5. A 500 bbl. redwood tank is utilized to store brine water for sale purposes. This tank is situated inside a shallow, unlined bermed area. An extensive salt crust inside, on and outside the berm is evidence of spills and leaching of the brines. The loading facilities for this tank are in the alley east of the yard. Salt crusts in the alley indicate reoccurring spills and leaks outside the property boundaries.
6. Waste oil storage consists of tanks on the east side of the maintenance shop. This area had extensive oil staining indicating reoccurring spills.

The above spills and leaks of diesel, brine and oil can potentially cause ground water contamination if they are allowed to continue. The depth to ground water in the area is approximately 40 feet. We therefore recommend a discharge plan be required for this facility to eliminate reoccurring leaks and spills and to establish a contingency plan for containment and cleanup of any future accidental discharges. A letter requiring a discharge plan from Petro-Thermo is attached.

Attachment

cc: Jerry Sexton

ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



GARREY CARRUTHERS
GOVERNOR

February 5, 1987

Case No. 9051

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Robert W. Abbott
Petro-Thermo Corporation
P. O. Box 2069
Hobbs, New Mexico 88241-2069

RE: DISCHARGE PLAN REQUIREMENT
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Abbott:

Under the provisions of the Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulations, you are hereby notified that the filing of a discharge plan is required for your existing service yard located in the NE/4 of NE/4 of Section 4, Township 19 North, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

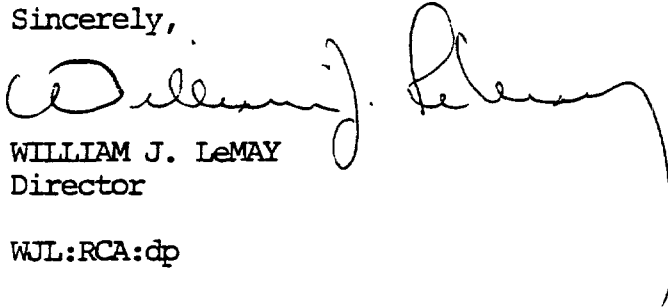
This notification of discharge plan requirement is pursuant to Sections 3-104 and 3-106 of the WQCC Regulations. The discharge plan, defined in Section 1-101.P. of the WQCC Regulations, should cover all discharges of effluent or leachate at the plant site or adjacent to the plant site. Included in the application should be plans for controlling spills and accidental discharges at the facility (including detection of leaks in buried underground tanks and/or piping).

A copy of the regulations is enclosed for your convenience. Three copies of your discharge plan should be submitted for review purposes.

Sections 3-106-A. of the regulations requires a submittal of the discharge plan within 120 days of receipt of this notice unless an extension of this time period is sought and approved for good cause. Sections 3-106.A. also allows the discharge to continue without an approved discharge plan until 240 days after written notification by the director that a discharge plan is required. An extension of this time may be sought and approved for good cause.

If there are any questions on this matter, please feel free to call David Boyer (827-5812) or Roger Anderson at 827-5885 as they have the assigned responsibility for review of all discharge plans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William J. LeMay". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name and title.

WILLIAM J. LeMAY
Director

WJL:RCA:dp

Enc.

cc: OCD-Hobbs