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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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February 17, 1999

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO: Z-274-520-625

Mr. Tony Savoie
Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Company
P.O. Box 1030
Jal, New Mexico 88252

RE: TNM-96-15 SPILL SITE

Dear Mr. Savoie:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has completed a review of Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Company's (TNMPLC) January 20, 1999 "BASELINE RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT, TNM-96-15, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, JOB NO. 610089-1" which was submitted on behalf of TNMPLC by their consultant KEI. This document contains TNMPLC's assessment of the risk for a crude oil pipeline spill at the TNM-96-15 site located in Unit M, Section 17, Township 18 South, Range 32 East, Lea County New Mexico. The document also recommends remedial actions based upon investigative results of the extent of contamination and the risk assessment.

The above recommended remedial actions are approved with the following conditions:

- 1. TNMPLC will document the final soil remediation levels achieved by obtaining final soil samples across the base of the excavated areas according to OCD's "GUIDELINES FOR REMEDIATION OF LEAKS, SPILLS AND RELEASES".
- 2. TNMPLC will provide the OCD with a final report containing the results of the remedial actions. The report will be submitted to the OCD Santa Fe Office by May 1, 1999 with a copy provided to the OCD Hobbs District Office.
- 3. TNMPLC will notify the OCD at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled activities such that the OCD has the opportunity to witness the events and split samples.

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Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve TNMPLC of liability if the work plan fails to adequately remediate contamination related to their activities or if remaining contamination poses a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve TNMPLC of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and regulations

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-7154.

Sincerely,

William C. Olson

Hydrologist '

Environmental Bureau

xc: Chris Williams, OCD Hobbs District Office

James D. Mosley, KEI

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