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Lime Rock Resources A, L.P.
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Certified Mail No.: 7002 3150 0005 2327 4645

Re: Lime Rock Resources A, L.P., OGRID 255333
Northwest Artesia Unit Waterflood injection wells:
Northwest Artesia Unit #003, 30-015-10109
Northwest Artesia Unit #006, 30-015-01674
Northwest Artesia Unit #015, 30-015-01666

Dear Operator:

By letter dated October 1, 2009, the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) notified Lime Rock Resources A, L.P. (Lime Rock) that its authority to inject into the Northwest Artesia Unit Waterflood has terminated automatically pursuant to 19.15.26.12(C)(1) NMAC. That rule provides:

"Whenever there is a continuous one year period of non-injection into all wells in an injection or storage project or into a salt water disposal well or special purpose injection well, the division shall consider the project or well abandoned, and the authority for injection shall automatically terminate ipso facto."

According to a spread sheet provided to the OCD by Lime Rock, no injection occurred in the Northwest Artesia Unit Waterflood in 2000, 2001, or 2003.

Lime Rock has since amended the reporting for those years to show that injection did occur, and that there was not a one year period of non-injection into all wells in the project.

Based on Lime Rock's reporting, the OCD recognizes that injection authority for the Northwest Artesia Unit Waterflood has not terminated, and is still in effect.



By copy of this letter, I am notifying the Artesia District Office that your injection authority for the Northwest Artesia Unit Waterflood has not terminated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Sanchez', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Daniel Sanchez
Underground Injection Control Director for the State of New Mexico

Ec: Randy Dade, Supervisor, Artesia District Office
Richard Inge, Artesia District Office