STATE OF NEW MEXICO



ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

December 11, 1997

POST OFFICE BOX 1980 HDB85, NEW MEXICO 86241-1980 (505) 393-6161

Max Curry 804 Palomino Midland, Texas 79705

Re: Curry Federal #2-N, Sec. 22, T23S, R34E

Dear Mr. Curry:

An inspection of the above referenced well shows evidence that the well is currently being used, and indications are that it has been used for an extended period of time, for salt water disposal. The well was permitted for use as a disposal well by Division Order SWD-588, in 1995. The permit was issued to the San Simon Water Disposal Company. According to our records, J. C. Williamson is the Operator of Record on this well.

To date, we have not received the paperwork necessary to confirm conversion of the well to SWD, nor the change of operator to San Simon Water Disposal Company.

In addition to the well being used for disposal prior to receiving the paperwork, there is evidence of numerous spills and/or runovers at the location, and a tank is running over at this time. We request that you take the steps necessary to stop the runover, and that you clean the area to bring the location into condition to meet OCD standards, and that you maintain the area in a satisfactory manner.

We have not received notification of leaks or spills as required by Division Rule 116. We request that you notify this office as these leaks, spills or runovers occur. We are enclosing Form C-141, stating the requirements for reporting, for your convenience in reporting these incidents.

You have authorization to use the well for 30 days pending receipt of the necessary paperwork, as Mr. Williamson was advised this date.

To update our records and bring the well into compliance, we request that you conduct a pressure test as required by the order, and a subsequent sundry notice giving the following information:

1. Any work necessary to bring the well into a satisfactory condition for use as a salt water disposal well.

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2. Date of first injection into the well.

- 3. Tubing size and packer setting depth.
- 4. Volume of water disposed into the well for the first 24 hour period of use.
- 5. Pressure used to accomplish disposal, or note if the well is taking water on a vacuum.

In addition, we request that you submit a C-104, for the Change of Operator from J. C. Williamson to San Simon Water Disposal Company.

We request that you notify this office 24 hours prior to conducting the pressure test in order for an OCD representative to witness the operation.

Since this is a federal well, the sundry notice is to be prepared for the BLM, with a (complimentary) copy sent to this office.

Failure to comply with this request will make it necessary to shut in the well until these requirements are met.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours

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Chris Williams Supervisor, District I

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cc: J. C. Williamson David Catanach File