

P. O.Box 1716
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

December 12, 1980

Mrs. JoAnn Brininstool
XL Transportation Company
Drawer A
Jal, New Mexico 88252

RE: Sodium Prospecting Permit NM 40527

Dear Mrs. Brininstool:

This office has received the information which you submitted to our U.S.G.S. Hobbs, New Mexico office concerning the development proposed for Sodium Prospecting Permit NM 40527.

Although it is after the fact, you are hereby authorized to drill a 2105 foot sodium exploratory well with 970 feet of 7-inch casing in the SE/4 Section 14, T25S, R37E, N2PM, the exact location as described and surveyed by John W. West, Registered Land Surveyor.

You are also authorized to construct a plastic lined brine pit, 90'x90'x9' deep in the location as legally described by the aforementioned John W. West.

I do hereby apologize for the misinformation that you received from a sister agency which has caused you a delay in the development of your sodium prospecting permit.

Please advise me when the brine storage pit is completed and you are pumping brine as I would like to see your operation.

If this office can be of further assistance please advise.

Sincerely,

John B. Burleson
District Mining Supervisor

cc: BLM-Carlsbad