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August 10, 1993

Mr. Trevor Jiricek
Solid and Hazardous Waste Specialist
Department of Health, Weld County
1517 - 16 Avenue Court
Greeley, Co. 80631

Re: your letter of July 13, Whitmore-Webster lease
SW NW 32-6N-66W

Dear Mr. Jiricek:


The operator of this production facility is Brooks Exploration. Our investigation indicates an Earthen Pit Permit has been issued to this facility by the Commission, with the condition of approval that the pit be lined.

There are indications in the file that bentonite was used by a previous operator in lining this pit. However, to ensure compliance in protecting groundwater we contacted Mr. Bill Brooks.

Mr. Brooks agreed to, and has in fact emplaced additional bentonite in the pit as insurance against groundwater contamination.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. If you have any further questions, please call.

Yours truly,


Jim Kenney P.G.
Sr. Engineer

cc: well file, lease file, RVS
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July 13, 1993

Bob Van Sickle
Colorado Oil & Gas Commission
1580 Logan Street, #380
Denver, Colorado 80203

Dear Mr. Van Sickle:

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On June 25, 1993, the Environmental Protection Division of the Weld County Health Department received the following complaint:

Brinewater and other items being dumped in pond. The pond is located at 83rd Avenue, Greeley, 100 yards north of Poudre River, on the east side of the road. Legal description as follows: NW4, Section 32, Township 06 N, Range 66 W.

On June 29, 1993, I observed the above, alleged complaint. On this date, I observed what appeared to be a small (40' x 60') brinewater disposal pond. A sample was taken (results attached) which indicate that the fluid in the pond is likely brine.

The Division has determined that the authority for investigation and compliance enforcement in this case is under the Rules and Regulations promulgated under the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, as amended.

The Division requests that this complaint be investigated and the results of your investigation be forwarded to this Division and the property owner. In addition, please forward investigation reports of all similar situations in Weld County.

If you have any further questions, please call this office at 353-0635.

Sincerely,

Trevor Jiricek
Solid and Hazardous Waste Specialist

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cc: Chester Pauls, Environmental Protection Agency
Sue McKinnon, Colorado Oil & Gas Commission