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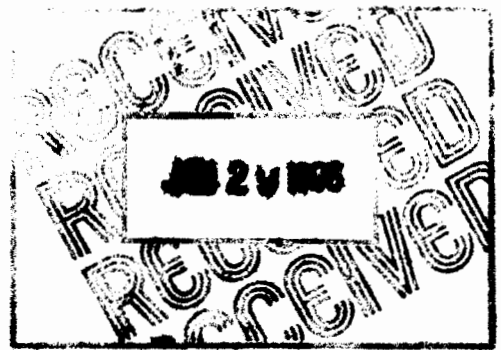
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New Mexico Environment Department
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RE: **GROUND WATER INVESTIGATION**
      TRANSWESTERN PIPELINE CO. ROSWELL COMPRESSOR STATION

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) is in the process of reviewing Transwestern Pipeline Company's (TPC) December 20, 1995 "WORK PLAN FOR PHASE II SOIL AND GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT FOR ROSWELL COMPRESSOR STATION NO. 9 SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS". This document contains TPC's proposed work plan for additional soil and ground water contamination investigations at the Roswell Compressor Station.

The OCD is the constituent agency delegated by the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) for enforcement of WQCC regulations and standards at these types of facilities. Therefore, the OCD is required to respond to this document to ensure that soil and ground water investigation and remedial actions conform to WQCC regulations. At a December 8, 1995 meeting between OCD and the New Mexico Environment Department Hazardous and Radioactive Waste Bureau (HRWB), the HRWB expressed concern over the results of prior TPC facility investigations documented in TPC's November 8, 1995 "PHASE I SOIL AND GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT FOR ROSWELL COMPRESSOR STATION NO. 9 SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS". The OCD requests that the HRWB provide the OCD with any comments and concerns that the HRWB has regarding either the Phase I report or the proposed Phase II work plan. Since the OCD must respond to TPC's work plan in a timely fashion, the OCD requests that the HRWB provide any comments to the OCD in writing by February 16, 1996.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-7152 or Bill Olson of my staff at (505) 827-7154.

Sincerely,

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