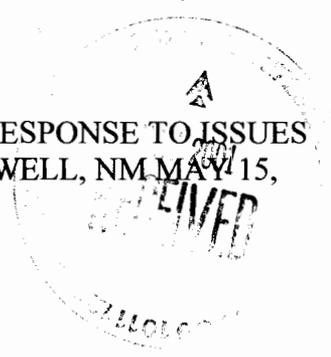


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CORRECTIONS AND COMMENTS DIRECTED TO "GMI RESPONSE TO ISSUES  
RAISED AT THE MAY 4, 2001 PUBLIC MEETING IN ROSWELL, NM MAY 15,  
2001"



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RESPONSE TO ISSUE #4:

The counties mentioned were Lea and Quay, I believe. The data was at the meeting and read by James Odle, Trustee of Nor Lea Hospital. He read this data directly off the statistics and he offered the information to all concerned. Also, there was no human error taken into account, per last three sentences.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #6:

No answer was ever given. This question has been raised numerous times, at different meetings and still no answer.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #7:

- a). Prevailing wind is from the SW, and I don't understand how the wind direction cannot have an impact on facility. Also, wind speed should be addressed. With evaporation ponds, transferring, pumping, mixing, and loose soil dealing with at least 245 known carcinogens I think this is a complete oversight.
- b). Day after meeting there was a fog and temperature inversion which greatly impacted immediate area.

How has the EPA determined that this site will not present an air hazard? There seems to be rehearsed, standard answers to all sensitive questions as if all parties involved in this facility have been given prearranged answers to memorize. Also, as in issue #6, several questions were talked around and NEVER answered.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #8:

This question was never completely answered. Will Mexico and Canada be allowed to dump? If the answer is yes, does that not trigger the WTO Agreement?

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #10:

I don't believe this statement at all!!!!!! The only thing that would make this true is if the BLM land that Marley and others have surrounding this site has already had its value destroyed by threat of an Endangered Species (Prairie Chicken). These actions of the BLM are perhaps the reason Marleys sold all BLM land they controlled North of Highway 380; thus making the remainder of the ranch a less economical unit in terms of a cattle ranch. Therefore, Marley is salvaging what they can out of this ranch by promoting this waste site.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #12:

Completely inadequate answer! If no research has been done on this, up to this time, why in the world are we even considering approving this facility? Human error has not been factored in anywhere at all!!!

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #14:

Very little, to no, research, drilling, fault studies etc. have been done in the immediate vicinity surrounding this area, as pointed out by Tatum meeting.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #18:

I have been living in and around oilfield liners of all kinds for 40 years and have yet to see any that did not fail. Again, absolutely no human error has been figured in here, which is unfair and wrong not to do so.

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RESPONSE TO ISSUE #3:

When underground water is contaminated it stays that way and spreads. There is no remedial action that will clean it up. No human error addressed here either!!

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #4:

This answer is so pat, assuming so many perfect conditions: weather, day, time of week, employees, etc.; it is ludicrous. HUMAN FACTOR NOT CONSIDERED!

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #5:

Same as above. No good answer, very sloppy. The two areas covered by issues #4 and #5 (thus the wind-soil and gas emissions) are of deepest concern to me. And, as we all know, are cumulative, not an overnight cause and effect. The future generations are the ones that will pay with increased birth defects, increased cancer rates, infertility, physical, mental and emotional problems. It is not the present decision makers or applicants and residents that will bear the long-term results of this project.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #12:

I feel, after attending the Tatum Water Meeting, that there are numerous questions about the water, geology, fault lines, thicknesses, etc. that have been raised and need to be addressed and put to rest.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #13:

The oil field, ranch, and dairy industries are crying for workers right now. We all are working substandard people, as any of the applicants should testify. Gandy has the enviable position of being able to pass the costs and mistakes of its employees onto the oil companies. The rest of us have to absorb these expenses. Furthermore, as of March 2001, there were no available houses for rent in Tatum, not one! And, as far as I know, there are rarely any for sale. If any employees would desire to live in Tatum, it would entail new homes or trailer houses moved in. I would think 90% of the employees would choose to live in Roswell.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #16

Does not include present traffic due to oil field ~~and~~ farming in this same area.

RESPONSE TO ISSUE #17

Playa lakes, in very close proximity, are completely unexplained and unknown by applicants or NMED. THIS NEEDS TO BE RESEARCHED AND CLEARED UP SATISFACTORILY.

This report from GMI on Issues raised in Roswell, NM is incomplete and has left many important subjects that were brought up not covered.

I feel all areas need to be discussed that are brought up by the residents and concerned citizens; and all statements and questions answered in an open and TRUTHFUL manner. The answers must be shown to be correct with data proven to be beyond reproach and scientifically appropriate for our specific area's physical conditions.

*Carl S. Johnson*

*May 22, 2001*

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