



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VI

ALLIED BANK TOWER AT FOUNTAIN PLACE

1445 ROSS AVENUE

DALLAS, TEXAS 75202

AUGUST 25, 1988

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Mr. John J. Stokes
Refinery Manager
Giant Refinery
Route 3, Box 7
Gallup, New Mexico 87301

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RE: Giant Refinery
EPA I.D. Number NMD000333211

HAZARDOUS WASTE SECTION

Dear Mr. Stokes:

The New Mexico Environmental Improvement Division (NMEID) is authorized to operate a hazardous waste management program in lieu of the Federal program for those portions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA) in effect prior to the passage of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (HSWA). The HSWA imposes additional requirements on hazardous waste management facilities which will be administered and enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region VI until NMEID receives additional authorization for these requirements. Therefore, both the EPA and the NMEID must issue a permit to your facility.

I have enclosed a copy of the HSWA draft permit. NMEID has sent the State draft permit to you under a separate cover. A public hearing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on October 5, 1988 at the McKinley County Courthouse, Commission Room, 200 West Hill, Gallup, New Mexico. However, if no requests for a public hearing are received by October 5, 1988, the hearing may be cancelled.

If you have any comments on the HSWA draft permit, please submit these comments, in writing, to:

Hazardous Waste Compliance Branch (6H-CP)
U.S. EPA, Region VI
1445 Ross Avenue (10th Floor)
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

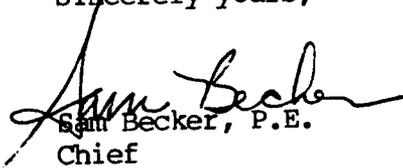
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These comments must be received no later than the close of the public comment period which currently ends on October 14, 1988. If you would like to schedule a meeting with EPA during the public comment period to discuss the proposed HSWA permit or if you have any questions please contact Mr. Marcus Sides at (214) 655-6785.

Sincerely yours,



Sam Becker, P.E.

Chief
Hazardous Waste Compliance Branch

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Jack Ellvinger
New Mexico Environmental Improvement Division

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