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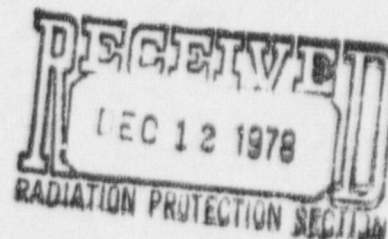
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December 11, 1978

*General Correspondence*



Mr. D. B. Cooper, Manager, Producing  
Mobil Oil Corporation  
P. O. Box 5444  
Denver, Colorado 80217

RE: Approval of Discharge Plan DP-26.

Dear Mr. Cooper:

The discharge plan (DP-26) for Mobil Oil Corporation's In Situ Uranium Leach Pilot Test near Crownpoint, McKinley County, New Mexico, is hereby approved. The approved discharge plan consists of:

- "Interim Mining and Reclamation Plan for Pilot Testing of In Situ Uranium Leaching, Crownpoint Project, New Mexico," submitted May 10, 1978, plus additions submitted with a letter from W. D. Conine to Ms. Maxine S. Goad, dated June 12, 1978;
- "Responses to Requests for Additional Information Dated July 10 and 20, 1978", submitted August 18, 1978;
- August 24, 1978, letter from D. B. Cooper to Ms. Maxine S. Goad;
- August 30, 1978, letter from D. B. Cooper to Ms. Maxine S. Goad;
- "Responses to Comments and Questions on Mobil in Situ Leach Pilot Test - Radiation Protection Section Dated September 14, 1978", submitted October 26, 1978;
- "Responses to Requests for Information Contained in September 28, 1978, letter from Thomas E. Baca, Director, Environmental Improvement Division", submitted November 9, 1978;
- December 4, 1978, letter from D. B. Cooper to Mr. Gerald Stewart;
- December 7, 1978, letter from D. B. Cooper to Mr. Gerald Stewart;
- December 7, 1978, letter from D. B. Cooper to Maxine S. Goad.

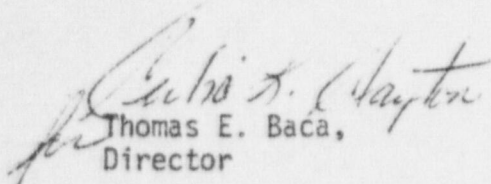
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The discharge plan was submitted pursuant to Section 3-106 of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission regulations. It is approved pursuant to Section 3-109. Please note subsections 3-109.E and 3-109.F, which provide for possible future amendment of the plan. Please also be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters which may be actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

The monitoring and reporting shall be as specified in the discharge plan and supplements thereto.

Pursuant to subsection 3-109.G.4 this plan approval is for a period of five years. This approval will expire December 10, 1983, and you should submit an application for new approval in ample time before that date.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas E. Baca,  
Director

TEB:MSG:tpc

cc: William Bennett, EID District I Manager, Albuquerque, NM  
Carl Woolfolk, EID, Milan, NM  
✓ Gerald Stewart, EID Radiation