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August 6, 1985

Mr. Gary F. Chavez
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Re: West Fork Unit
Washington County, Colorado

Dear Sir;

It has come to my attention, thru information relayed to me by my Underground Injection Control staff, that you may be in violation of several rules and regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

Rule 401 provides that no person shall perform enhanced recovery operations, without having first obtained written authorization from the Commission. I have been advised that you have converted the Centennial Landaker #1, located SW SE Section 18 Township 3S Range 55W, to water injection sometime during the Spring of 1984. This conversion was never authorized. In addition, you currently report monthly production from this well. Since this well is not part of the West Fork Unitized Area, you are hereby directed to follow our procedures for authorization of enhanced recovery well as specified in Rule 401. This should be accomplished at the earliest possible date. Failure to respond in a timely manner will result in the immediate cessation of injection at the well.

In your Monthly Report of Fluids Injected for the West Fork Unit, you report injection into the West Fork #3 and #20, wells that have been shut-in or out of service for quite some time. This practice is to stop immediately and all reports (Form 14) are to be resubmitted showing injection in those wells active during the appropriate reporting period. You are directed to submit Sundry

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Notices (Form 4) for the West Fork Unit #1, #3, #11, #14, #15, and #20 indicating their status as shut-in, temporarily abandoned water injection wells, or whatever their status is.

If you have any questions or if any of the information I have received is in error or needs clarification please contact me. I will anticipate your response by August 25, 1985.

Very truly yours,

William R. Smith

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