The operator shall maintain records at development and production facilities for 3 years, wherever practicable and at a specific shore-based site whenever not practicable. The operator is responsible for maintaining records at exploratory facilities while they are discharging under the operator's control and at a specified shore-based site for the remainder of the 3-year retention period.

# 4. Record Contents

Records of monitoring information shall include:

- (a) The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements,
- (b) The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements,
- (c) The date(s) analyses were performed,
- (d) The individual(s) who performed the analyses
- (e) The analytical techniques or methods used, and
  - (f) The results of such analyses.

### 5. Monitoring Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136, unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

# 6. Discharge Rate/Flow Measurements

Appropriate flow measurement devices consistent with accepted practices shall be selected, maintained, and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated, and maintained to insure that the accuracy of the measurements are consistent with the accepted capability of that type of device. Devices selected shall be capable of measuring flows with a maximum deviation of less than ±10% from true discharge rates throughout the range of expected discharge volumes.

#### Section D. Reporting Requirements

#### 1. Anticipated Noncompliance

The permittee shall give advance notice to the Regional Administrator of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

#### 2. Discharge Monitoring Reports

For facilities which are allowed to discharge and for which monitoring is required by Part I of these permits, the operator of each lease (or lease block) shall be responsible for submitting monitoring results for all facilities within that area (i.e., lease or lease block). The monitoring results for the facilities within the particular lease (or lease block) shall be summarized on the annual Discharge Monitoring Report for that lease (or lease block).

Monitoring results obtained during the previous 12 months shall be summarized and reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) Form (EPA No. 3320–1). The highest monthly average for all activity within each lease (or lease block) shall be reported. The highest daily maximum sample taken during the reporting period shall be reported as the daily maximum concentration. (See "Definitions" for more detailed explanations of these terms).

If any category of waste (discharge) is not applicable for all facilities within the lease (or lease block) due to the type of operation (e.g. drilling, production), "no discharge" must be recorded for those categories on the DMR. If all facilities within a lease block have had no activity during the reporting period, then "no activity" must be written on the DMR. All pages of the DMR must be signed and certified as required by Part II.D.9 of these permits and submitted when due.

The Permittee must complete all empty blanks in the DMR unless there has been absolutely no activity or no discharge within the lease (or lease block) for the entire reporting period. In these cases, EPA Region VI will accept a listing of leases or lease blocks with no discharges or no activity, in lieu of submitting actual DMR's for these areas. This listing must specify the permittee's NPDES General Permit Number, lease or lease block description, and EPAassigned outfall number. The listing must also include the certification statement presented in Part II.D.9 of these permits and an original signature of the designated responsible official.

Upon receipt of a notification of intent to be covered (see Part I.A.2 of these permits for facilities requiring such notification), the permittee will be notified of its specific outfall number applicable to that lease (or lease block) and will be informed of the discharge monitoring report due date.

All notices and reports required under this permit shall be sent to EPA Region 6 at the address below:

Director, Water Management Division, USEPA, Region 6, Enforcement Branch (6W-EA), P.O. Box 50625, Dallas, TX 75270

# 3. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit, using test procedures

approved under 40 CFR Part 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR. Such increased monitoring frequency shall also be indicated on the DMR.

## 4. Averaging of Measurements

Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified by the Regional Administrator in the permit.

#### 5. Twenty-four Hour Reporting

a. For facilities which are allowed to discharge produced water by Part I.B.2.a of Permit No. TXG290000, the permittee shall report any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment (including any spill that requires oral reporting to the state regulatory authority). Information shall be provided orally within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. A written submission shall also be provided within 5 days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance. The Regional Administrator may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours:

- (1) Any unanticipated bypass which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit;
- (2) Any upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit.
- (3) Violations of a maximum daily discharge limitation or daily minimum toxicity limitation for any of the pollutants listed by the Regional Administrator in Part III of the permit to be reported within 24 hours.

The reports should be made to Region 6 by telephone at (214) 665–6593. The Regional Administrator may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

b. For all facilities prohibited from discharging produced water, the permittee shall report any noncompliance with these permits, bypass or upset. Any information shall