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Subject: RE: Emailing - WORK PLAN FOR INCIDENT 2RP-4051 Paul 25 24S 28E RB 221H API 30-015-4301....pdf
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RE: Matador Production Co. * Paul 25 24S 28E RB 221H * 2RP-4051 * DOR: 12/25/16

Catherine,

Thank you for the phone call earlier. I appreciate your comments and hope I was able to answer your questions and concerns satisfactorily.

At this time, your proposal for remediation of the above referenced release is approved with the following comments and conditions of approval:

- It is OCD's understanding that the spill occurred on the well site pad. Please advise if this is incorrect. It would be extremely helpful to have a site diagram that depicts the spill in relation to current conditions at the spill site. The well was recently drilled and facilities recently constructed, so the image submitted shows the spill in an open field. In this instance, an updated site diagram needs to be submitted showing the spill in relation to the well and production equipment.
- The proposal states the area will be excavated up to 1' in depth. Sample data shows analytical values at surface, and then at a 2' interval. I am unable to determine at what depth the acceptable remediation level is reached. The proposal does outline the acceptable remediation limits, and based on data presented, it should be noted that excavation may be required beyond the proposed 1' interval.
- Composite samples, as proposed, are **not** approved.
- Chloride levels do not appear to be an issue in this case, but data provided shows a spike at 12'. Being an oil only release, and a new well site, it is highly unlikely the spike is related to operations, but that should be explained, or background data obtained, for clarification. I am not requesting a background sample for this spill since it is a relatively new site and I am somewhat familiar with the area. Just be aware that this may not always be the case.
- It is OCD's understanding that sidewall confirmation samples will be obtained for lateral definition.

Please proceed on your schedule, but advise once remedial operations have been scheduled.

If you have any questions or concerns, and for notification, please contact me.

Thank you,

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