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District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources  
Department  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-144  
Revised June 6, 2013

**For temporary pits, below-grade tanks, and multi-well fluid management pits,** submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
**For permanent pits** submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

Pit, Below-Grade Tank, or  
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action: ☐ Below grade tank registration  
☐ Permit of a pit or proposed alternative method  
☐ Closure of a pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
☒ Modification to an existing permit/or registration  
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

**Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, below-grade tank or alternative request**

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.

1.  
Operator: WPX Energy Production, LLC OGRID #: 120782  
Address: PO Box 640/721 S Main Aztec, NM 87410  
Facility or well name: Chaco 2306-06L #178H & Chaco 2306-06L #179H  
API Number: 30-039-31200 & 30-039-31190 OCD Permit Number: 11769  
U/L or Qtr/Qtr L Section 6 Township 23N Range 6W County: Rio Arriba  
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.25164N Longitude -107.51715W NAD: ☐ 1927 ☒ 1983  
Surface Owner: ☒ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.  
☒ **Pit:** Subsection F, G or J of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Temporary: ☒ Drilling ☒ Completion ☐ Workover  
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Multi-Well Fluid Management Low Chloride Drilling Fluid ☒ yes ☐ no  
☒ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness 20 mil ☒ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ String-Reinforced  
Liner Seams: ☒ Welded ☒ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Volume: 16,029 bbl Dimensions: L 30' x W 200' x D 15'

3.  
☐ **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Type of fluid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tank Construction material: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off  
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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4.  
☐ **Alternative Method:**  
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

5.  
**Fencing:** Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks*)  
☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (*Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church*)  
☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet  
☒ Alternate. Please specify As per BLM specifications

6.

**Netting:** Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks*)

- ☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)

7.

**Signs:** Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

- ☐ 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers
- ☒ Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC

8.

**Variances and Exceptions:**

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.

***Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:***

- ☒ Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval.
- ☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

9.

**Siting Criteria (regarding permitting):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC

***Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.***

**General siting**

**Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank.**

- ☐ NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; ☐ USGS; ☒ Data obtained from nearby wells

☐ Yes ☒ No  
☐ NA

**Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit.**

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

☐ Yes ☒ No  
☐ NA

Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within an unstable area. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within a 100-year floodplain. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☒ No

**Below Grade Tanks**

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption;

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid** (maximum chloride content 15,000 mg/liter)

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). (Applies to low chloride temporary pits.)

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 300 feet from a occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 300feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of the initial application.

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 100 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

### **Temporary Pit Non-low chloride drilling fluid**

Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse, or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in the existence at the time of the initial application;

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

### **Permanent Pit or Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit**

Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

10.

#### **Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☒ Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☒ Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☒ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☒ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: 30-039-31200 & 30-039-31190 or Permit Number: 11769

11.

#### **Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☐ A List of wells with approved application for permit to drill associated with the pit.
- ☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Hydrogeologic Data - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (I) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☐ Climatological Factors Assessment
- ☐ Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan
- ☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☐ Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H<sub>2</sub>S, Prevention Plan
- ☐ Emergency Response Plan
- ☐ Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization
- ☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan
- ☐ Erosion Control Plan
- ☐ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

13. **Proposed Closure:** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

**Instructions:** Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.

Type: ☒ Drilling ☒ Completion ☐ Workover ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Permanent Pit ☐ Below-grade Tank ☐ Multi-well Fluid Management Pit

☐ Alternative

Proposed Closure Method: ☐ Waste Excavation and Removal  
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☒ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)  
☒ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial  
☐ Alternative Closure Method

14. **Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) **Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)
- ☐ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

15. **Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

16.  
**On-Site Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☒ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection K of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☒ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☒ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☒ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☒ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☒ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)
- ☒ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☒ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

17.  
**Operator Application Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): Mark Heil Title: Regulatory Specialist

Signature:  Date: 7/29/2014

e-mail address: mark.heil@wpenergy.com Telephone: 505-333-1806

18.  
**OCD Approval:** ☒ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature:  Approval Date: 8/11/2014

Title: Compliance Officer OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

19.  
**Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

*Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.*

☐ Closure Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

20.  
**Closure Method:**

- ☐ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
- ☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

21.  
**Closure Report Attachment Checklist:** *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)
- ☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure for private land only)
- ☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)
- ☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)
- ☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)
- ☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number
- ☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation
- ☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique
- ☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

On-site Closure Location: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983

**Operator Closure Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**WPX Energy Production, LLC**  
**San Juan Basin: New Mexico Assets**  
*Modification of Chaco 2306-06L 178H & Chaco 2306-06L 179H*  
*Temporary Pit In-place Closure Plan*  
*(Groundwater over 100 feet below bottom of pit liner)*

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.16.E NMAC WPX Energy is requesting the following modification to the reference Temporary Pit Permit. This modification is an adjustment of in place closure method specified in the Closure Plan. This modification is a variance to Rule 19.15.17.13.D, but is consistent with the closure requirements prior to rule amendments adopted on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

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**Original Closure Plan:**

D. WPX closures where wastes are destined for burial in place...

(8) Upon achieving all applicable waste stabilization in the temporary pit or transfer of stabilized wastes to the temporary pit or burial trench, WPX will:

(a) fold the outer edges of the trench liner to overlap the waste material in the trench prior to the installation of the geomembrane cover;

(b) install a geomembrane cover over the waste material in the lined trench or temporary pit; the operator shall install the geomembrane cover in a manner that prevents the collection of infiltration water in the lined trench or temporary pit and on the geomembrane cover after the soil cover is in place; the geomembrane cover shall consist of a 20-mil string reinforced LLDPE liner or equivalent cover that the appropriate division district office approves; the geomembrane cover shall be composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions; cover compatibility shall comply with EPA SW-846 Method 9090A;

(c) cover the pit/trench with non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen materials and construct a soil cover prescribed by the division in Paragraph (3) of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.

The following criteria were used for the original closure plan of the Chaco 2306-06L 178H & Chaco 2306-06L 179H, Table 1 and Table 2:

<b>Table 1</b> <b>Closure Criteria for Soils Beneath Below-Grade Tanks, Drying Pads Associated with Closed-Loop Systems and Pits where Contents are Removed</b>			
Depth below bottom of pit to groundwater less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**
≤50 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	600 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	100 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg
51-100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	10,000 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	1,000 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg
> 100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	20,000 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	1,000 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg

\*Or other test methods approved by the division

\*\*Numerical limits or natural background level, whichever is greater

<b>Table II</b> <b>Closure Criteria for Burial Trenches and</b> <b>Waste Left in Place in Temporary Pits</b>			
Depth below bottom of pit to groundwater less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**
25-50 feet	Chloride	EPA Method 300.0	20,000 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	100 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg
51-100 feet	Chloride	EPA Method 300.0	40,000 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	1,000 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg
> 100 feet	<b>Chloride</b>	<b>EPA Method 300.0</b>	<b>80,000 mg/kg</b>
	<b>TPH</b>	<b>EPA SW-846 Method 418.1</b>	<b>2,500 mg/kg</b>
	<b>GRO+DRO</b>	<b>EPA SW-846 Method 8015M</b>	<b>1,000 mg/kg</b>
	<b>BTEX</b>	<b>EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B</b>	<b>50 mg/kg</b>
	<b>Benzene</b>	<b>EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M</b>	<b>10 mg/kg</b>

\*Or other test methods approved by the division

\*\*Numerical limits or natural background level, whichever is greater  
 [19.15.17.13 NMAC - Rp, 19.15.17.13 NMAC, 6/28/13]

#### Modification of Closure Plan:

The pit liner shall be removed above "mud level" after stabilization. Removal of the liner will consist of manually or mechanically cutting the liner at the mud level and removing all remaining liner. Care will be taken to remove "all" of the liner (I.e. anchored material). All excessive liner will be disposed of at a licensed disposal facility (probably San Juan Regional Landfill operated by Waste Management under NMED Permit SWM-052426).



<b>Table 1</b> <b>Closure Criteria for Soils Beneath Below-Grade Tanks, Drying Pads Associated with Closed-Loop Systems and Pits where Contents are Removed</b>			
Depth below bottom of pit to groundwater less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**
51-100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	500 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	500 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	0.2 mg/kg
> 100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	500 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	500 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	0.2 mg/kg

\*Or other test methods approved by the division

\*\*Numerical limits or natural background level, whichever is greater

#### Temporary Pit In-place Closure Variance:

The in-place closure method requested in this modification is intended to provide equal or better protection of fresh water, public health and the environment as required per 19.15.17.15.A(3) This method would use the 2008 pit rule closure criteria for soils beneath below grade tanks, drying pads associated with closed-loop systems and pits where contents are removed (Table 1) and closure criteria for burial tranches and waste left in place in temporary pits. These criteria are more stringent than the current rule, providing better fresh water, public health, and environmental protection. In addition, this variance would allow the operator more flexibility to meet Bureau of Land Management reclamation plan requirements and to meet NMOCD compliance by reducing the likelihood of tearing the liner upon reclamation.



## Analytical Report

### Report Summary

Client: WPX Energy, Inc.  
Chain Of Custody Number: 16699  
Samples Received: 3/5/2014 8:40:00AM  
Job Number: 04108-0006  
Work Order: P403014 Project Name/Location:  
Chaco 2306 GL #178H/#179H

Entire Report Reviewed By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Cain", is written over a horizontal line.

Tim Cain, Laboratory Manager

Date: 3/12/14

Supplement to analytical report generated on: 3/12/14 2:18 pm

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Project Number: 04108-0006  
Project Manager: Buddy Shaw

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### Analytical Report for Samples

Client Sample ID	Lab Sample ID	Matrix	Sampled	Received	Container
Cuttings Pit	P403014-01A	Soil	02/28/14	03/05/14	Glass Jar, 4 oz.

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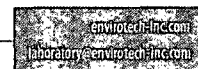
**Cuttings Pit  
P403014-01 (Solid)**

Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes
<b><u>Volatle Organics by EPA 8021</u></b>									
Benzene	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
Toluene	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
p,m-Xylene	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
o-Xylene	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
Total Xylenes	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
Total BTEX	ND	0.05	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
Surrogate: Bromochlorobenzene		102 %		80-120	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
Surrogate: 1,3-Dichlorobenzene		4950 %		80-120	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8021B	
<b><u>Nonhalogenated Organics by 8015</u></b>									
Gasoline Range Organics (C6-C10)	ND	5.00	mg/kg	1	1411003	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8015D	
Diesel Range Organics (C10-C28)	ND	29.9	mg/kg	1	1411002	03/10/14	03/11/14	EPA 8015D	
<b><u>Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons by 418.1</u></b>									
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	24.0	20.0	mg/kg	1	1411012	03/12/14	03/12/14	EPA 418.1	
<b><u>Cation/Anion Analysis</u></b>									
Chloride	48.1	9.93	mg/kg	1	1411001	03/10/14	03/10/14	EPA 300.0	

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### Volatile Organics by EPA 8021 - Quality Control

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Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Spike Level	Source Result	%REC	Limit	RPD	RPD Limit	Notes
<b>Batch 1411003 - Purge and Trap EPA 5030A</b>										
<b>Blank (1411003-BLK1)</b>										
Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14										
Benzene	ND	0.05	mg/kg							
Toluene	ND	0.05	"							
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.05	"							
p,m-Xylene	ND	0.05	"							
o-Xylene	ND	0.05	"							
Total Xylenes	ND	0.05	"							
Total BTEX	ND	0.05	"							
Surrogate: 1,3-Dichlorobenzene	53.2		ug/L	1.00		NR	80-120			
Surrogate: Bromochlorobenzene	54.0		"	50.0		108	80-120			
<b>Duplicate (1411003-DUP1)</b>										
Source: P403011-01 Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14										
Benzene	ND	0.05	mg/kg		ND				30	
Toluene	ND	0.05	"		ND				30	
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.05	"		ND				30	
p,m-Xylene	ND	0.05	"		ND				30	
o-Xylene	ND	0.05	"		ND				30	
Surrogate: 1,3-Dichlorobenzene	52.0		ug/L	1.00		NR	80-120			
Surrogate: Bromochlorobenzene	54.6		"	50.0		109	80-120			
<b>Matrix Spike (1411003-MS1)</b>										
Source: P403011-01 Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14										
Benzene	51.7		ug/L	50.0	ND	103	39-150			
Toluene	51.2		"	50.0	ND	102	46-148			
Ethylbenzene	51.2		"	50.0	ND	102	32-160			
p,m-Xylene	103		"	100	ND	103	46-148			
o-Xylene	51.9		"	50.0	ND	104	46-148			
Surrogate: 1,3-Dichlorobenzene	52.1		"	1.00		NR	80-120			
Surrogate: Bromochlorobenzene	54.6		"	50.0		109	80-120			

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# Nonhalogenated Organics by 8015 - Quality Control

## Envirotech Analytical Laboratory

Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Spike Level	Source Result	%REC	%REC Limits	RPD	RPD Limit	Notes
<b>Batch 1411002 - DRO Extraction EPA 3550C</b>										
<b>Blank (1411002-BLK1)</b>					Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14					
Diesel Range Organics (C10-C28)	ND	29.9	mg/kg							
<b>Duplicate (1411002-DUP1)</b>					Source: P403011-01 Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14					
Diesel Range Organics (C10-C28)	ND	29.9	mg/kg		ND				30	
<b>Matrix Spike (1411002-MS1)</b>					Source: P403011-01 Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14					
Diesel Range Organics (C10-C28)	192		mg/L	250	ND	76.7	75-125			

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Nonhalogenated Organics by 8015 - Quality Control

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Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Spike Level	Source Result	%REC	%REC Limits	RPD	RPD Limit	Notes
<b>Batch 1411003 - Purge and Trap EPA 5030A</b>										
<b>Blank (1411003-BLK1)</b>					Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14					
Gasoline Range Organics (C6-C10)	ND	5.00	mg/kg							
<b>Duplicate (1411003-DUP1)</b>					Source: P403011-01 Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14					
Gasoline Range Organics (C6-C10)	ND	4.98	mg/kg		ND				30	
<b>Matrix Spike (1411003-MS1)</b>					Source: P403011-01 Prepared: 10-Mar-14 Analyzed: 11-Mar-14					
Gasoline Range Organics (C6-C10)	0.49		mg/L	0.450	ND	108	75-125			

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**Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons by 418.1 - Quality Control**

**Envirotech Analytical Laboratory**

Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Spike Level	Source Result	%REC	%REC Limits	RPD	RPD Limit	Notes
<b>Batch 1411012 - 418 Freon Extraction</b>										
<b>Blank (1411012-BLK1)</b>					Prepared & Analyzed: 12-Mar-14					
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	ND	20.0	mg/kg							
<b>Duplicate (1411012-DUP1)</b>					Source: P403014-01 Prepared & Analyzed: 12-Mar-14					
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	28.0	20.0	mg/kg		24.0			15.5	30	
<b>Matrix Spike (1411012-MS1)</b>					Source: P403014-01 Prepared & Analyzed: 12-Mar-14					
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	1840	20.0	mg/kg	2000	24.0	91.0	80-120			

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#### Cation/Anion Analysis - Quality Control

#### Envirotech Analytical Laboratory

Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Spike Level	Source Result	%REC	%REC Limits	RPD	RPD Limit	Notes
<b>Batch 1411001 - Anion Extraction EPA 300.0</b>										
<b>Blank (1411001-BLK1)</b>					Prepared & Analyzed: 10-Mar-14					
Chloride	ND	9.99	mg/kg							
<b>LCS (1411001-BS1)</b>					Prepared & Analyzed: 10-Mar-14					
Chloride	478	9.97	mg/kg	499		95.9	90-110			
<b>Matrix Spike (1411001-MS1)</b>					Source: P403011-01 Prepared & Analyzed: 10-Mar-14					
Chloride	507	9.93	mg/kg	497	ND	102	80-120			
<b>Matrix Spike Dup (1411001-MSD1)</b>					Source: P403011-01 Prepared & Analyzed: 10-Mar-14					
Chloride	499	9.96	mg/kg	498	ND	100	80-120	1.58	20	

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#### Notes and Definitions

DET	Analyte DETECTED
ND	Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
NR	Not Reported
dry	Sample results reported on a dry weight basis
RPD	Relative Percent Difference

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