DEPUTY OIL & GAS PRISPECTION

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Meter Number:87612 ocation Name:Chacon Jicarilla #3 Location:TN-23 RG-03 SC-16 UL-I

> NMOCD Zone:OUTSIDE Hazard Ranking Score:00

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RATIONALE FOR RISK-BASED CLOSURE OF PRODUCTION PITS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE VULNERABLE ZONE IN THE SAN JUAN BASIN

This production pit location was ranked according to the criteria in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's Unlined Surface Impoundment Closure Guidelines and received a ranking score of zero. The estimated depth to groundwater is greater than 100-feet beneath ground surface (bgs), the pit is not in a well head protection area, and there are no surface water bodies within 1,000 horizontal feet of the pit location.

The primary source, discharge to the pit has been removed. There has been no discharge to the pits for at least 4 years and the pits have been closed for at least one year.

Each pit was backfilled with clean soil and graded in a manner to divert precipitation away from the excavated area. Minimal infiltration of rainfall is expected. Any rainfall that does infiltrate the ground surface must migrate through clean backfill before reaching the residual hydrocarbons.

There is no source material at the ground surface, so direct contact of hydrocarbons with livestock and the populous is not likely.

In general, outside of the vulnerable area and alluvial valleys, bedrock material is generally encountered within 20 feet of the ground surface. Bedrock material in the San Juan Basin consists of interbedded sandstones, shales and clays. According to Freeze and Cherry, 1979, the hydraulic conductivity of the bedrock material are as follows:

Sandstone 10^{-9} to 10^{-13} cm/sec Shale 10^{-12} to 10^{-16} cm/sec Clay 10^{-12} to 10^{-15} cm/sec

Based on this information, the residual hydrocarbons should not migrate to groundwater.

Natural process (bioremediation) are degrading the residual hydrocarbon to carbon dioxide and water and will continue until the source is gone, therefore minimizing any impact to the environment.

Based on the above information, it is highly unlikely that any source material will impact groundwater or ever find an exposure pathway to affect human health and therefore El Paso Field Services Company (EPFS) requests closure of this pit location.



FIELD PIT SITE ASSESSMENT FORM

GENERAL	Meter: 87612 Location: _CHACON JICARILLA #3 Operator #: 8903 Operator Name: Dave THOMAS P/L District: _OJITO Coordinates: Letter: Section 16 Township: _23 Range: _3 Or						
SITE ASSESSMENT	NMOCD Zone: (From NMOCD (From NMOCD (From NMOCD (From NMOCD (From NMOCD (Total APACHE State (2) State (2) State (3) Fee (3) Outside (2) Indian SCARILLA APACHE Pepth to Groundwater Less Than 50 Feet (20 points) (1) 50 Ft to 99 Ft (10 points) (3) Wellhead Protection Area: Is it less than 1000 ft from wells, springs, or other sources of fresh water extraction?, or; Is it less than 200 ft from a private domestic water source? (1) YES (20 points) (2) NO (0 points) Horizontal Distance to Surface Water Body Less Than 200 Ft (20 points) (2) Greater Than 1000 Ft (10 points) (2) Greater Than 1000 Ft (0 points) (3) Name of Surface Water Body (Surface Water Body: Perennial Rivers, Major Wash, Streams, Creeks, Irrigation Canals, Ditches, Lakes, Ponds) Distance to Nearest Ephemeral Stream (1) < 100'(Navajo Pits Only) (2) > 100' TOTAL HAZARD RANKING SCORE: POINTS						
REMAR	Remarks: REDLINE AND TORS SHOWS LOCATION OUTSIDE V.Z. ONLY PIT ON THIS LOCATION, IT IS A LOCATION DRIP AND BEIDNES TO EPNE. WILL CLOSE PIT.						

FIELD PIT REMEDIATION/CLOSURE FORM

GENERAL	Meter: 87612 Location: CHACON JICARILLA #3 Coordinates: Letter: T Section/4 Township: 23 Range: 3 Or Latitude Longitude Date Started: 10-12-95 Run: 08 93
FIELD OBSERVATIONS	Sample Number(s): NS/16 NS/16 NS/17 Sample Depth: 14 Feet Final PID Reading 205 PID Reading Depth 14 Feet Yes No Groundwater Encountered
CLOSURE	Remediation Method: Excavation Onsite Bioremediation Backfill Pit Without Excavation Other Facility Name: Jic. Land Farm L. L.P. Pit Closure Date: 10-17-95 Pit Closed By: Philip
REMARKS	Remarks: PIO READINGS: (N. 65) (5-825) (E-87) (W-36) PILSIZE 18X21XIL - Rock Bottom PILS LISTED DUTSIDE THE W.V. ZONE MORE THAN 100 FROM EPHEMERAL STREAM. Fencing 28 X 28 X 3 Nething Y N Signature of Specialist: A 166/115 Schmolt? (SP3191) 03/16/94



FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT

PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Inside the GWV Zone

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	N5115	947438
MTR CODE SITE NAME:	87612	Chacon # Jic. #3
SAMPLE DATE TIME (Hrs):	10-12-95	1130
PROJECT:	Jic Pits	
DATE OF TPH EXT. ANAL.:	10-16-95	
DATE OF BTEX EXT. ANAL.:	10/16/95	10/17/95
TYPE DESCRIPTION:	VG	WENT GRAY JANAY JANATAGE

Field Remarks: (N-65)(5-825)(E-87)(ω-36)

RESULTS

PARAMETER	RESULT	UNITS	QUALIFIERS			
PANAIVEICH			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)
BENZENE	4 0.5	MG/KG				
TOLUENE	Z 0.5	MG/KG				
ETHYL BENZENE	< c.5	MG/KG				
TOTAL XYLENES	1.6	MG/KG				
TOTAL BTEX	1.6	MG/KG				
TPH (418.1)	104	MG/KG			195	28
HEADSPACE PID	205	PPM				
PERCENT SOLIDS	89.3	%				

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	TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 Surrogate Recovery was at 92% for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.					
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Approved By:			

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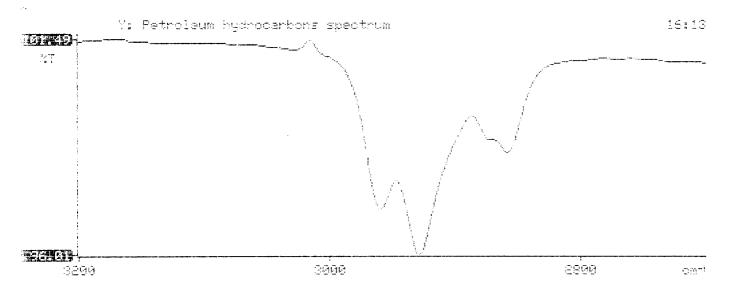
Sample identification 947638

Initial mass of sample, g 1.950

Volume of sample after extraction, ml

Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm 104.169

Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm-1)



BTEX SOIL SAMPLE WORKSHEET

File	e :	947638	Date Printed :	10/18/95
Soil Mas	s (g) :	4.97	Multiplier (L/g) :	0.00101
Extraction vo	l. (mL) :	10	CAL FACTOR (Analytical):	200
Shot Volume (uL):		50	CAL FACTOR (Report):	0.20121
			DILUTION FACTOR:	1 Det. Limit
Benzene	(ug/L) :	0.00	Benzene (mg/Kg):	0.000 0.503
Toluene	(ug/L) :	0.00	Toluene (mg/Kg):	0.000 0.503
Ethylbenzene	(ug/L) :	1.49	Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg):	0.300 0.503
p & m-xylene	(ug/L) :	5.98	p & m-xylene (mg/Kg):	1.203 1.006
o-xylene	(ug/L) :	1.95	o-xylene (mg/Kg):	0.392 0.503
			Total xylenes (mg/Kg):	1.596 1.509
			Total BTEX (mg/Kg):	1.895

EL PASO NATURAL GAS EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS

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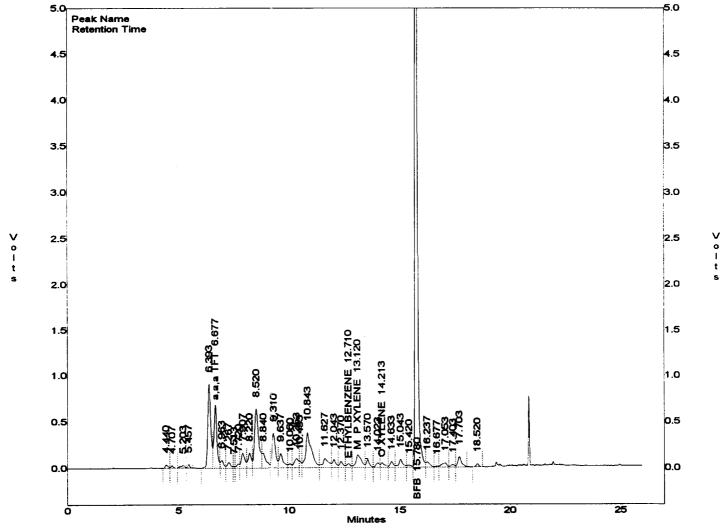
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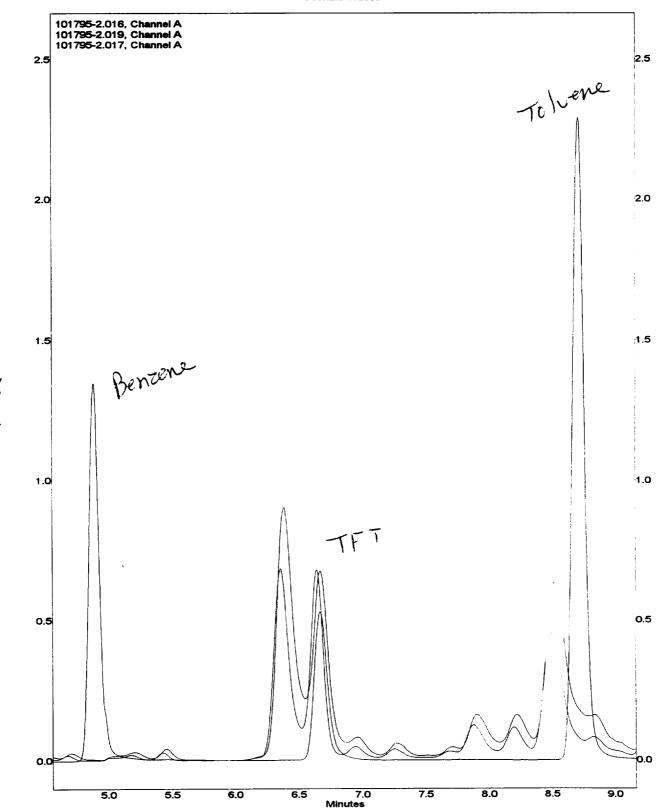
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Channel A Results

COMPONENT	RET TIME	AREA	CONC (ug/L)
BENZENE	4.873	0	0.0000
a,a,a TFT	6.677	6240939	139.3263
TOLUENE	8.717	0	0.0000
ETHYLBENZENE	12.710	493301	1.4902
M & P XYLENE	13.120	2323759	5.9811
O XYLENE	14.213	601387	1.9450
BFB	15.780	63175732	91.6631









GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY RESULTS

TEST

: EPA 8015 MODIFIED

CLIENT

: EL PASO NATURAL GAS

ATI I.D.: 510430

PROJECT # : 24324

PROJECT NAME : PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS

SAMPLE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		DATE	DATE	DATE	DIL.
ID. #	CLIENT I.D.	MATRIX	SAMPLED	EXTRACTED	ANALYZED	FACTOR
01	947638	NON-AQ	10/12/95	10/31/95	11/01/95	1
02	947660	NON-AQ	10/16/95	10/31/95	11/01/95	1
03	947670	NON-AQ	10/17/95	10/31/95	11/01/95	1
PARAMETER			UNITS	01	02	03
FUEL H	YDROCARBONS		MG/KG	<5	33	<5
HYDROCARBON RANGE					C7-C28	-
HYDROCARBONS QUANTITATED USING				-	DIESEL	-
SURROG	ATE:					
O-TERP	HENYL (%)			89	100	87



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November 7, 1995

El Paso Natural Gas P.O. Box 4990 Farmington, NM 87499

Project Name/Number: PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS 24324

Attention: John Lambdin

On 10/31/95, Analytical Technologies, Inc., (ADHS License No. AZ0015), received a request to analyze non-aqueous samples. samples were analyzed with EPA methodology or equivalent methods. The results of these analyses and the quality control data, which follow each set of analyses, are enclosed.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at (505) 344-3777.

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