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DEPUTY OIL & GAS INSPECTOR

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Meter Number: 93466  
Location Name: JICARILLA 37-B #7  
Location: TN-24 RG-05  
SC-24 UL-F  
6 - Jicarilla  
NMOCD Zone: OUTSIDE  
Hazard Ranking Score: 00

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OIL CON. DIV.  
PIT 3

**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: 93466 Location: Ticarilla 37-B well #7  
 Operator #: 0108 Operator Name: Alpine oil P/L District: Ojita  
 Coordinates: Letter: F Section 24 Township: 24N Range: 5W  
 Or Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pit Type: Dehydrator \_\_\_\_\_ Location Drip: X Line Drip: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site Assessment Date: 7-12-94 Area: 08 Run: 81

SITE ASSESSMENT

## NMOCD Zone:

(From NMOCD  
Maps)

Inside

☐ (1)

Outside

☒ (2)

## Land Type:

BLM ☐ (1)

State ☐ (2)

Fee ☐ (3)

Indian Ticarilla

Apache

## Depth to Groundwater

Less Than 50 Feet (20 points)

☐ (1)

50 Ft to 99 Ft (10 points)

☐ (2)

Greater Than 100 Ft (0 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)

☐ (1)

200 Ft to 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: 0 POINTS

REMARKS

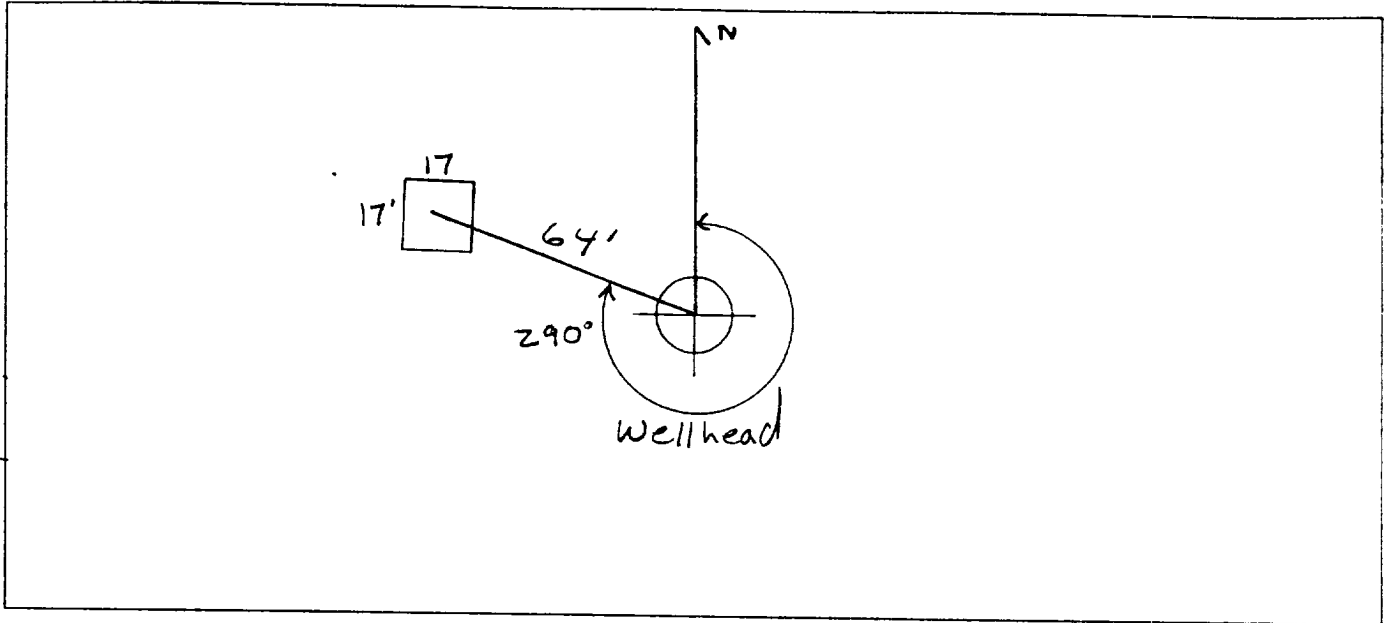
Remarks : Redline Book - outside Vulnerable Zone Tape - outside

one pit on location - dry oil & water in pit

ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION

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Original Pit : a) Degrees from North 290 Footage from Wellhead 64  
b) Length : 17 Width : 17 Depth : 3



REMARKS

## Remarks :

Pictures @ 1229 #5 Roll #2 (Disposable)

oil & water in pit

Completed By:

[Signature]  
Signature

7-12-94  
Date

# FIELD PIT REMEDIATION/CLOSURE FORM

GENERAL

Meter: 93466 Location: Jicarilla 37-B WELL #7  
 Coordinates: Letter: E Section 24 Township: 24N Range: 5W  
 Or Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Started : 10-2-95 Run: 08 81

FIELD OBSERVATIONS

Sample Number(s): DS101  
 Sample Depth: 9 Feet  
 Final PID Reading 10.0 PID Reading Depth 9 Feet  
 Yes No  
 Groundwater Encountered ☐ ☒ Approximate Depth \_\_\_\_\_ Feet

CLOSURE

Remediation Method :  
 Excavation ☒ Approx. Cubic Yards 280 lt 10/5/95  
 Onsite Bioremediation ☐ LABRIAL JICARILLA E.P.O. APPROVED  
 Backfill Pit Without Excavation ☐ CLOSURE 10-2-95  
 Soil Disposition:  
 Envirotech ☒ ☐ Tierra  
 Other Facility ☐ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pit Closure Date: 10-3-95 Pit Closed By: Philip

REMARKS

Remarks : PID READINGS (N-85)(S-0.6)(E-54)(W-65.3)  
PH 5128 24X27X9 PIT LISTED OUTSIDE W.V. ZONE.  
MORE THAN 100' FROM EPHEMERAL STREAM  
FENCE 5128 21X21X3 (NET)

Signature of Specialist: Nicholas Schmitt



FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY  
ANALYTICAL REPORT

PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Inside the GWV Zone

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	NS101	947570
MTR CODE   SITE NAME:	93466	Jic. 37-B #7
SAMPLE DATE   TIME (Hrs):	10-02-95	0945
PROJECT:	Jic Pits	
DATE OF TPH EXT.   ANAL.:	2/1/95	
DATE OF BTEX EXT.   ANAL.:	10/3/95	10/3/95
TYPE   DESCRIPTION:	VG	Light brown soil

Field Remarks:

RESULTS

PARAMETER	RESULT	UNITS	QUALIFIERS			
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)
BENZENE	< 0.5	MG/KG				
TOLUENE	< 0.5	MG/KG				
ETHYL BENZENE	< 0.5	MG/KG				
TOTAL XYLENES	< 1.5	MG/KG				
TOTAL BTEX	< 3	MG/KG				
TPH (418.1)	194	MG/KG			2.0	2.5
HEADSPACE PID	10.0	PPM				
PERCENT SOLIDS	96.5	%				

-- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 --

The Surrogate Recovery was at 102% for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.  
Narrative:

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By:

Date:

10-4-95

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 Test Method for  
 Oil and Grease and Petroleum Hydrocarbons  
 in Water and Soil  
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Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR  
 Analysis Report  
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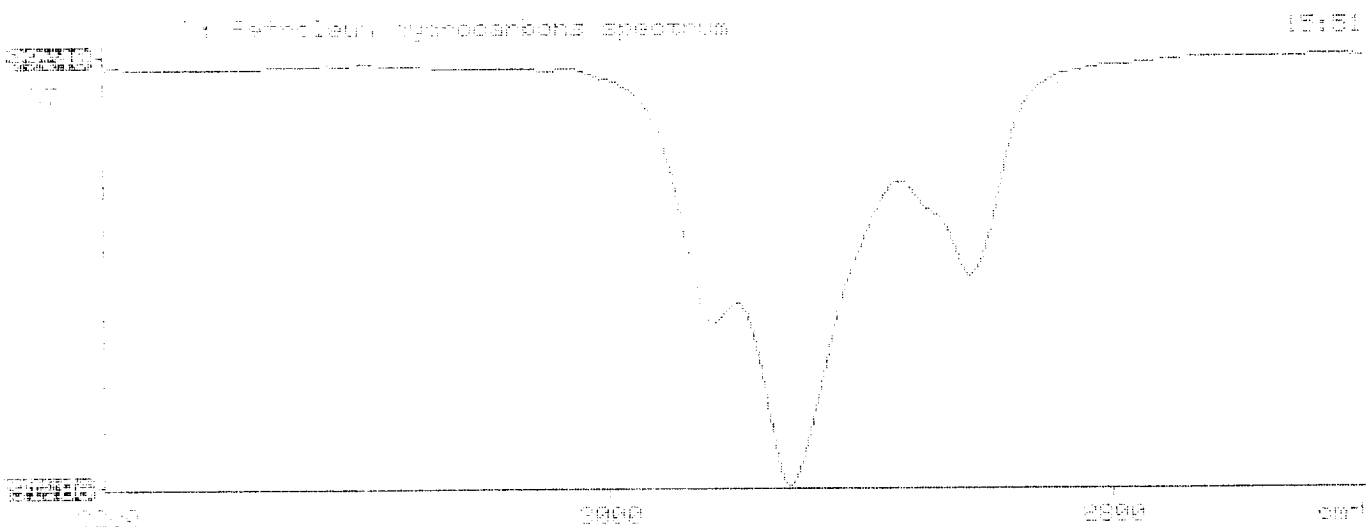
Sample Identification  
 47570

Initial mass of sample, g  
 1.000

Volume of sample after extraction, ml  
 13.000

Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm  
 14,111

Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm<sup>-1</sup>)  
 .114



# BTEX SOIL SAMPLE WORKSHEET

File	:	947570	Date Printed	:	10/4/95
Soil Mass (g)	:	4.98	Multiplier (L/g)	:	0.00100
Extraction vol. (mL)	:	10	DF (Analytical)	:	200
Shot Volume (uL)	:	50	DF (Report)	:	0.20080

				Det. Limit
Benzene (ug/L)	:	0.00	Benzene (mg/Kg):	0.000 0.502
Toluene (ug/L)	:	0.54	Toluene (mg/Kg):	0.108 0.502
Ethylbenzene (ug/L)	:	0.28	Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg):	0.056 0.502
p & m-xylene (ug/L)	:	1.04	p & m-xylene (mg/Kg):	0.209 1.004
o-xylene (ug/L)	:	0.25	o-xylene (mg/Kg):	0.050 0.502
			Total xylenes (mg/Kg):	0.259 1.506
			Total BTEX (mg/Kg):	0.424

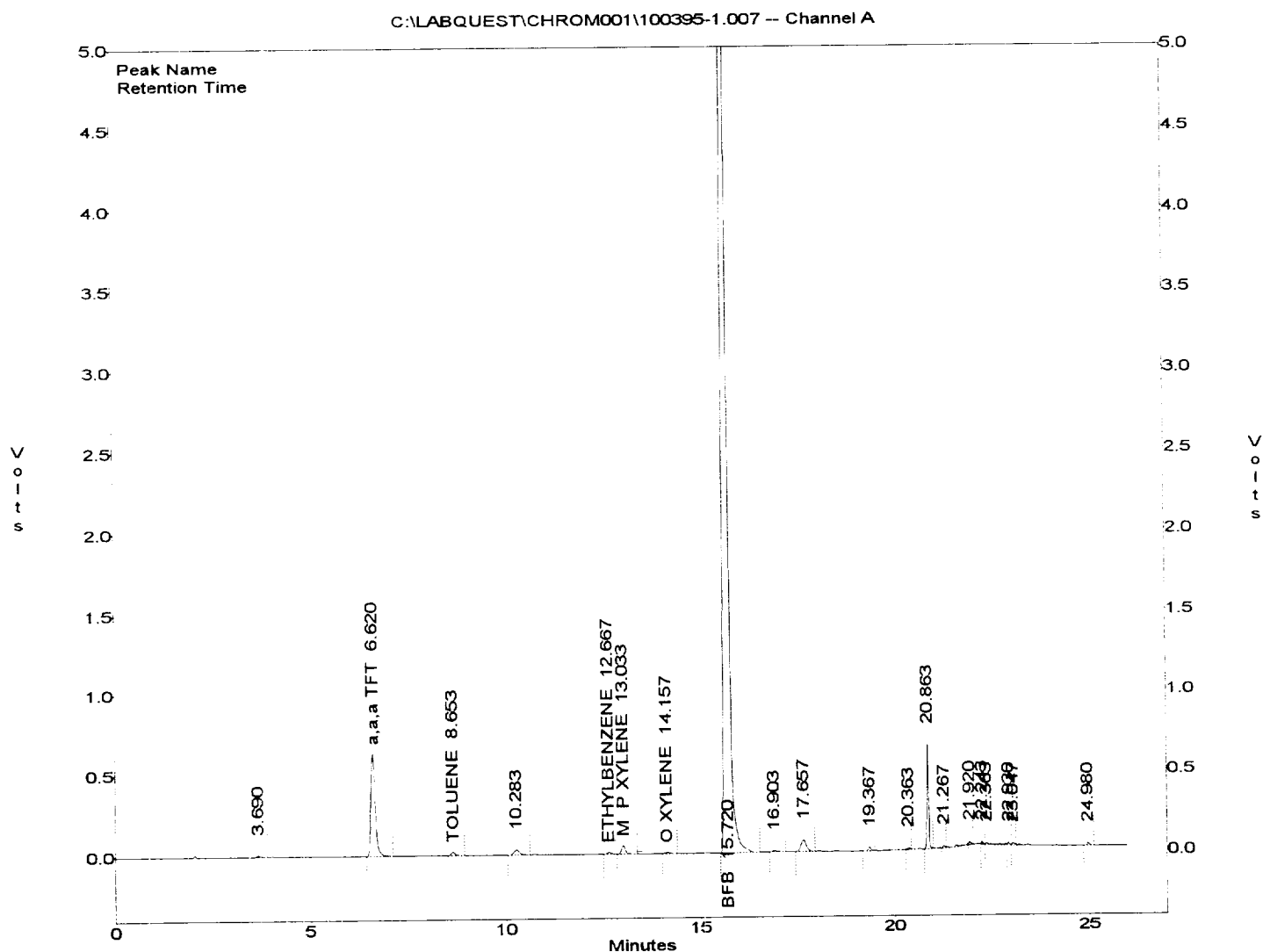
# EL PASO NATURAL GAS

## EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS

File : C:\LABQUEST\CHROM001\100395-1.007  
 Method : C:\LABQUEST\METHODS\1-091895.MET  
 Sample ID : 947570,4.98G,50U  
 Acquired : Oct 01, 1995 15:26:24  
 Printed : Oct 01, 1995 15:52:48  
 User : MARLON

### Channel A Results

COMPONENT	RET TIME	AREA	CONC (ug/L)
BENZENE	4.917	0	0.0000
a,a,a TFT	6.620	4759010	103.0818
TOLUENE	8.653	149379	0.5379
ETHYLBENZENE	12.667	71195	0.2786
M & P XYLENE	13.033	343527	1.0368
O XYLENE	14.157	60702	0.2549
BFB	15.720	73588952	101.5171







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ATI I.D. 510329

October 13, 1995

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Project Name/Number: PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS 24324

Attention: John Lambdin

On 10/10/95, Analytical Technologies, Inc., (ADHS License No. AZ0015), received a request to analyze **non-aqueous** samples. The 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.

Due to sample heterogeneity, varying results were obtained for sample "947575" on EPA method 418.1. The low and high values are submitted.

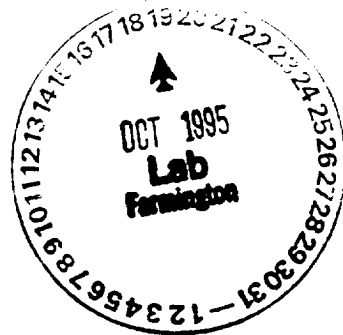
If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at (505) 344-3777.

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Project Manager

MR:jt

Enclosure

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## GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY RESULTS

TEST : EPA 8015 MODIFIED  
CLIENT : EL PASO NATURAL GAS ATI I.D.: 510329  
PROJECT # : 24324  
PROJECT NAME : PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS

SAMPLE ID. #	CLIENT I.D.	MATRIX	DATE SAMPLED	DATE EXTRACTED	DATE ANALYZED	DIL. FACTOR
01	947570	NON-AQ	10/02/95	10/10/95	10/10/95	1

PARAMETER	UNITS	01
FUEL HYDROCARBONS	MG/KG	25
HYDROCARBON RANGE		C12-C36
HYDROCARBONS QUANTITATED USING		DIESEL

### SURROGATE:

O-TERPHENYL (%) 91

93466

NS101