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Meter Number: 75625
Location Name: Jicarilla A #8
Location: TN-26 RG-05
SC-17 UL-E
6 - Jicarilla
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: 75625 Location: Jicarilla A #8
Operator #: 02203 Operator Name: Amec P/L District: OJITO
Coordinates: Letter: E Section 17 Township: 26 Range: 5
Or Latitude _____ Longitude _____
Pit Type: Dehydrator _____ Location Drip: ☒ Line Drip: _____ Other: _____
Site Assessment Date: 7/14/94 Area: 06 Run: 72

SITE ASSESSMENT

NMOCD Zone:

(From NMOCD
Maps)

Inside

☐ (1)

Outside

☒ (2)

Land Type:

BLM ☐ (1)

State ☐ (2)

Fee ☐ (3)

Indian Jicarilla 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

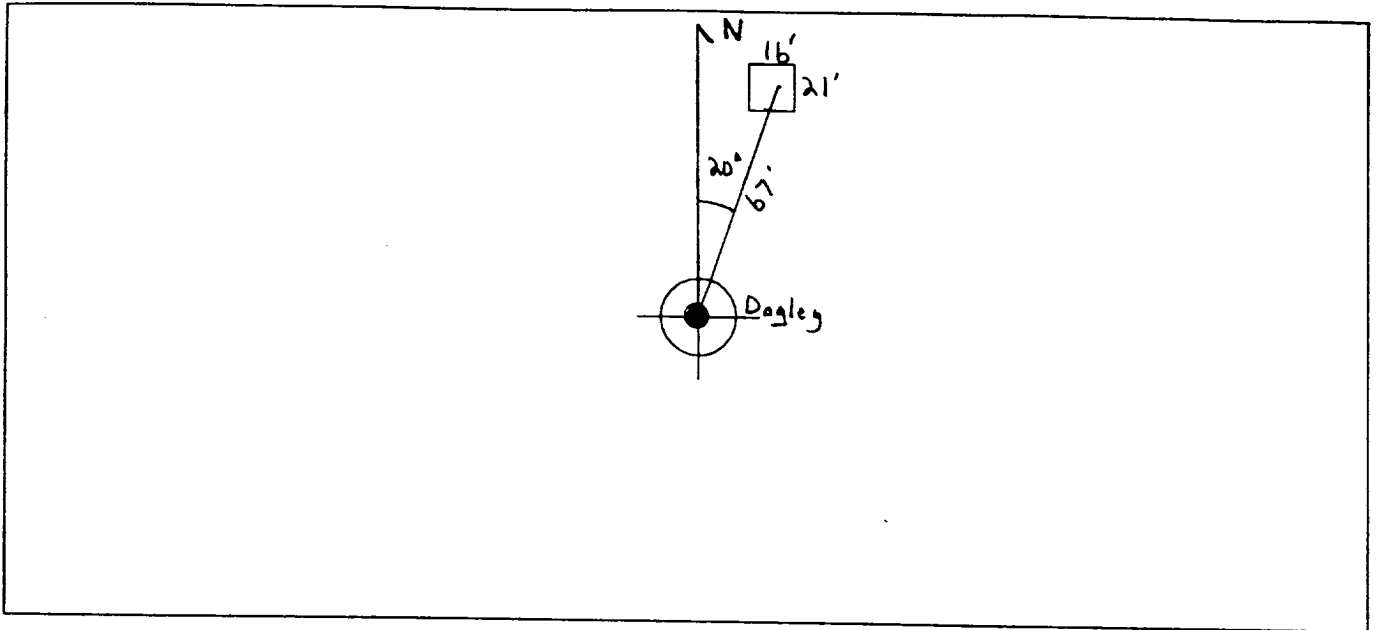
Remarks : Redline Book - Outside, Vulnerable Zone Type - Outside
1 pit. Will close. Pit has liquid in it.
Redline book shows pit in Unit H. Location sign shows Unit E.

One 7/14/94

DISC - PUSH-IN

ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION

Original Pit : a) Degrees from North 20° Footage from ^{Dogleg} Wellhead 67'
 b) Length : 21' Width : 16' Depth : 4'



Remarks :

Pictures @ 1317 (4-7)

Bearing taken from dogleg next to meter house (67' from center of pit.)
Could not locate wellhead.

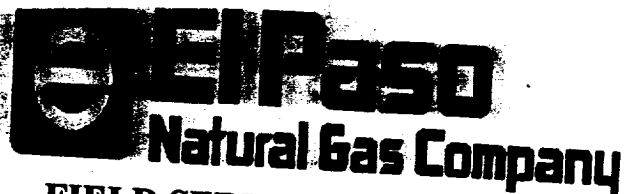
Completed By:

Cory Chase
 Signature

7/14/94
 Date

FIELD PIT REMEDIATION/CLOSURE FORM

GENERAL	<p>Meter: <u>75625</u> Location: <u>JICARILLA A #8</u></p> <p>Coordinates: Letter: <u>E</u> Section <u>17</u> Township: <u>24</u> Range: <u>5</u></p> <p>Or Latitude _____ Longitude _____</p> <p>Date Started : <u>9-14-95</u> Run: <u>06</u> <u>72</u></p>
FIELD OBSERVATIONS	<p>Sample Number(s): <u>US88</u></p> <p>Sample Depth: <u>5</u> Feet</p> <p>Final PID Reading <u>145</u> PID Reading Depth <u>5</u> Feet</p> <p>Yes No</p> <p>Groundwater Encountered <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approximate Depth _____ Feet</p>
CLOSURE	<p>Remediation Method :</p> <p>Excavation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approx. Cubic Yards <u>72</u> <u>8</u> <u>9/25/95</u></p> <p>Onsite Bioremediation <input type="checkbox"/> <u>DAVE FROM JICARILLA E.P.U.</u></p> <p>Backfill Pit Without Excavation <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Approved closure 9-18-95</u></p> <p>Soil Disposition:</p> <p>Envirotech <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Tierra</p> <p>Other Facility <input type="checkbox"/> Name: _____</p> <p>Pit Closure Date: <u>9-19-95</u> Pit Closed By: <u>Philip</u></p>
REMARKS	<p>Remarks : <u>PID WALL READINGS (N-213)(S-275)(E-240)(W-47)</u></p> <p><u>PIT SIZE 29X15X5 - HT ROCK BOTTOM c 5', W,S,E, WALLS RESTRICTED</u></p> <p><u>BY PIPE LINE. EPNG - NORMAN ONSITE, PIT LISTED OUTSIDE V.Z.</u></p> <p><u>FENCE SIZE 28X28X3 LESS THAN 100' FROM EPHEMERAL STREAM</u></p> <p><u>SPRAY PIT WITH SOIL ENHANCER 9-18-95</u></p> <p>Signature of Specialist: <u>Nicholas Schmaltz</u></p>



SPLIT

FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY

ANALYTICAL REPORT

PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Outside the GWV Zone

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	NS 88	947475
MTR CODE SITE NAME:	75625	Jicarilla A #8
SAMPLE DATE TIME (Hrs):	09-14-95	1045
PROJECT:	Jic Pits	
DATE OF TPH EXT. ANAL.:	9-15-95	09-15-95
DATE OF BTEX EXT. ANAL.:	9/15/95	9/20/95
TYPE DESCRIPTION:	VG	Light grey sand & sand stone

REMARKS: (N-92)(S-275)(G-240)(W-47)

RESULTS

PARAMETER	RESULT	UNITS	QUALIFIERS				ATI Results
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)	
BENZENE	6.5	MG/KG	4	D			< 0.50
TOLUENE	60.3	MG/KG	4	D			8.7
ETHYL BENZENE	8.0	MG/KG	4	D			5.7
TOTAL XYLENES	70.5	MG/KG	4	D			42
TOTAL BTEX	145	MG/KG	4	D			56.4
TPH (418.1)	5880	MG/KG			1.82	28	3400
HEADSPACE PID	145	PPM					Surrogate % 191
PERCENT SOLIDS	92.6	%					Dilution Factor 20

The Surrogate Recovery was at
Narrative:- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 -
8490 for this samp All QA/QC was acceptable.ATI Results attached. Surrogate recovery outside ATI QC limits
due to matrix interference.

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By:

Date:

9-18-95

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      Test Method for
Oil and Grease and Petroleum Hydrocarbons
      in Water and Soil
      Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR
      Analysis Report
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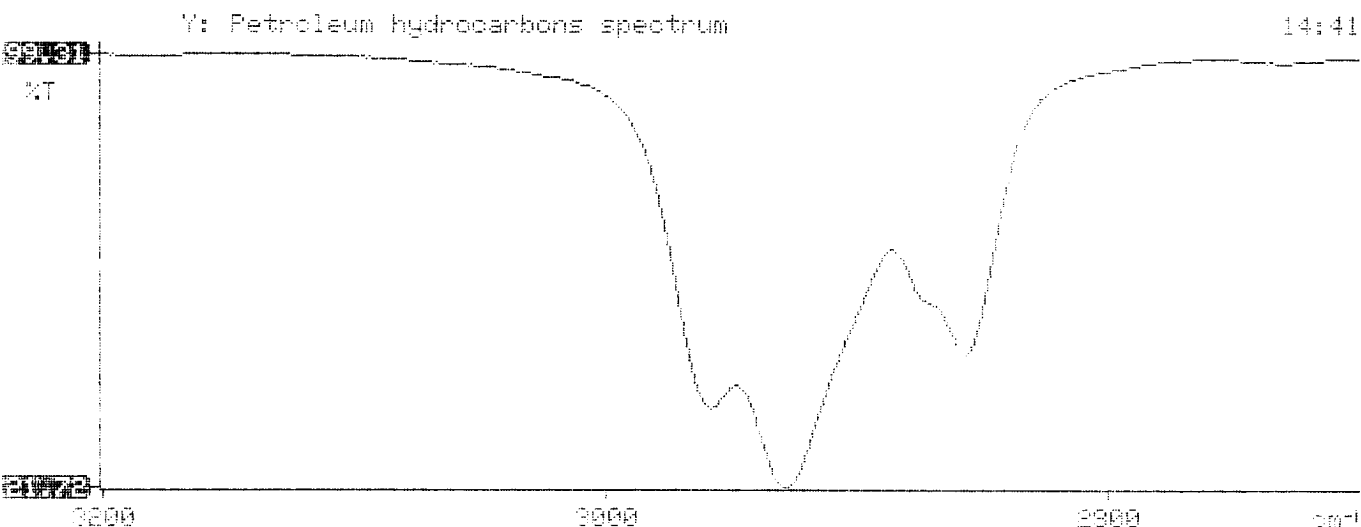
Sample identification
P47475

Initial mass of sample, g
1.820

Volume of sample after extraction, ml
28.000

Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm
3881.130

Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm^{-1})
0.658



BTEX SOIL SAMPLE WORKSHEET

File	:	947475	Date Printed	:	9/21/95
Soil Mass (g)	:	4.98	Multiplier (L/g)	:	0.00100
Extraction vol. (mL)	:	20	DF (Analytical)	:	800
Shot Volume (uL)	:	25	DF (Report)	:	0.80321

				Det. Limit
Benzene (ug/L)	:	8.06	Benzene (mg/Kg):	6.474 2.008
Toluene (ug/L)	:	75.10	Toluene (mg/Kg):	60.321 2.008
Ethylbenzene (ug/L)	:	10.00	Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg):	8.032 2.008
p & m-xylene (ug/L)	:	67.80	p & m-xylene (mg/Kg):	54.458 4.016
o-xylene (ug/L)	:	20.00	o-xylene (mg/Kg):	16.064 2.008
			Total xylenes (mg/Kg):	70.522 6.024
			Total BTEX (mg/Kg):	145.349

EL PASO NATURAL GAS

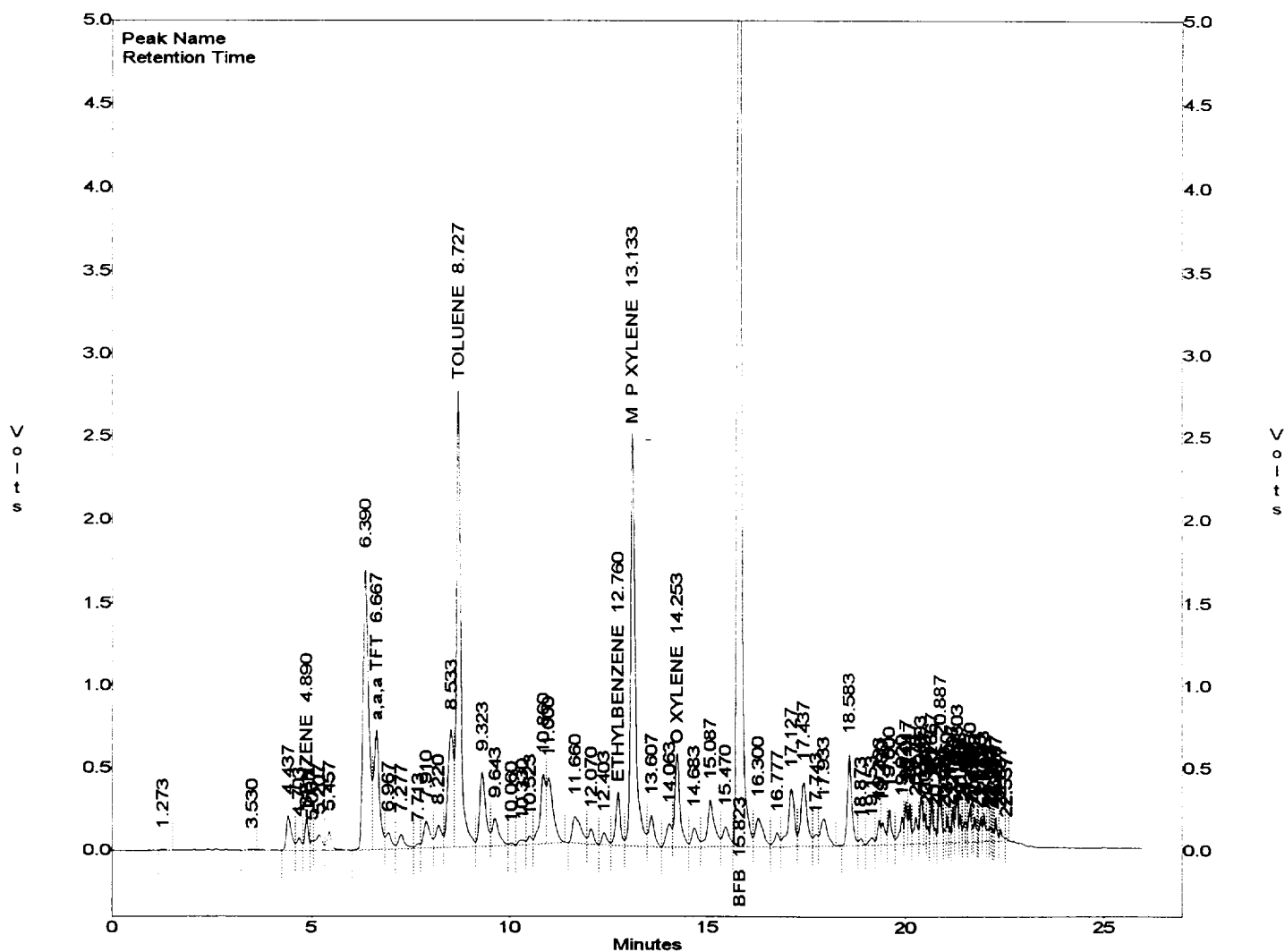
EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS

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 Sample ID : 947475,4.98G,25U
 Acquired : Sep 20, 1995 19:10:18
 Printed : Sep 20, 1995 19:36:47
 User : MARLON

Channel A Results

COMPONENT	RET TIME	AREA	CONC (ug/L)
BENZENE	4.890	1203647	8.0595
a,a,a TFT	6.667	7161441	155.1193
TOLUENE	8.727	21491272	75.0694
ETHYLBENZENE	12.760	2621167	10.0265
M & P XYLENE	13.133	21030328	67.8062
O XYLENE	14.253	5103736	20.0078
BFB	15.823	61045944	84.2139

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GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY RESULTS

TEST : BTEX (EPA 8020)
CLIENT : EL PASO NATURAL GAS ATI I.D.: 509398
PROJECT # : 24324
PROJECT NAME : PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS

SAMPLE ID. #	CLIENT I.D.	MATRIX	DATE SAMPLED	DATE EXTRACTED	DATE ANALYZED	DIL. FACTOR
01	947475	NON-AQ	09/14/95	09/28/95	09/29/95	20
PARAMETER		UNITS		01		
BENZENE		MG/KG		<0.50		
TOLUENE		MG/KG		8.7		
ETHYLBENZENE		MG/KG		5.0		
TOTAL XYLENES		MG/KG		42		

SURROGATE:

BROMOFLUOROBENZENE (%) 191*

*OUTSIDE ATI QUALITY CONTROL LIMITS DUE TO MATRIX INTERFERENCE



GENERAL CHEMISTRY RESULTS

CLIENT	: EL PASO NATURAL GAS	ATI I.D.	: 509398
PROJECT #	: 24324	DATE RECEIVED	: 09/27/95
PROJECT NAME	: PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS	DATE ANALYZED	: 09/28/95

PARAMETER	UNITS	01
PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS, IR	MG/KG	3400



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ATI I.D. 509398

October 5, 1995

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Project Name/Number: PIT CLOSURE/JIC PITS 24324

Attention: John Lambdin

On **09/27/95**, Analytical Technologies, Inc., (ADHS License No. AZ0015), received a request to analyze **non-aqueous** sample(s). The sample(s) 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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