

**EL PASO FIELD SERVICES**  
**PRODUCTION PIT CLOSURE**  
DEPUTY OIL & GAS INSPECTOR

DEC 21 1998

RINCON UNIT #65  
Meter/Line ID - 71578

RECEIVED  
JUL 2 1998

SITE DETAILS

Legals - Twn: 27 Rng: 07  
NMOCD Hazard Ranking: 20  
Operator: UNOCAL CORPORATION

Sec: 23 Unit: O  
Land Type: 2 - Federal  
Pit Closure Date: 12/02/94

OIL CON. DIV.  
DIST. 3

**RATIONALE FOR RISK-BASED CLOSURE:**

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The primary source discharge to the pit has been removed. There has been no discharge to the production pit for at least five years and the pit has been closed for at least three years.

The production pit has been remediated to the practical extent of the trackhoe or to the top of bedrock. Initial laboratory analysis has indicated that the soil remaining at the bottom of the excavation is above standards based on the hazard ranking score. Contaminated soil was removed and transported to an approved landfarm for disposal. The initial excavation was backfilled with clean soil and graded in a manner to divert precipitation away from the excavated area. Any rainfall that does infiltrate the ground surface must migrate through a clean backfill before reaching any residual hydrocarbons remaining in the soil. Therefore further mobility of residual hydrocarbons is unlikely.

Since the soil samples from the initial excavation were above standards, a test boring was drilled and a sample was collected to evaluate the vertical extent of impact to soils. Test boring sample results indicated soils below standards beneath the original excavation.

El Paso Field Services Company (EPFS) requests closure of the above mentioned production pit location for the following reasons:

- Discharge to the pit has not occurred in over five years and the pit has been closed for over three years.
- The bulk of the impacted soil was removed during the initial excavation.
- The excavation was backfilled with clean soil and graded to divert precipitation away from the excavation area.
- All source material has been removed from the ground surface, eliminating potential direct contact with livestock and the general public.
- Groundwater was not encountered in the initial excavation or test boring; therefore, impact to groundwater is unlikely.
- Soil samples collected beneath the initial excavation were below standards.
- No potential receptors are within 1,000 feet of the site.
- Residual hydrocarbons remaining in the soil at the bottom of the initial excavation will naturally degrade in time with minimal risk to the environment.

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# FIELD PIT SITE ASSESSMENT FORM

GENERAL

Meter: 21578 Location: Rincon unit #65  
 Operator #: \_\_\_\_\_ Operator Name: UNOCGI P/L District: Blanco  
 Coordinates: Letter: 0 Section 23 Township: 27 Range: 7  
 Or Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pit Type: Dehydrator \_\_\_\_\_ Location Drip: X Line Drip: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site Assessment Date: 11/14/94 Area: 0.3 Run: 32

## NMOCD Zone:

(From NMOCD

Maps)

Inside

Outside

## Land Type:

BLM ☒ (1)

State ☐ (2)

Fee ☐ (3)

Indian \_\_\_\_\_

## 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: 20 POINTS

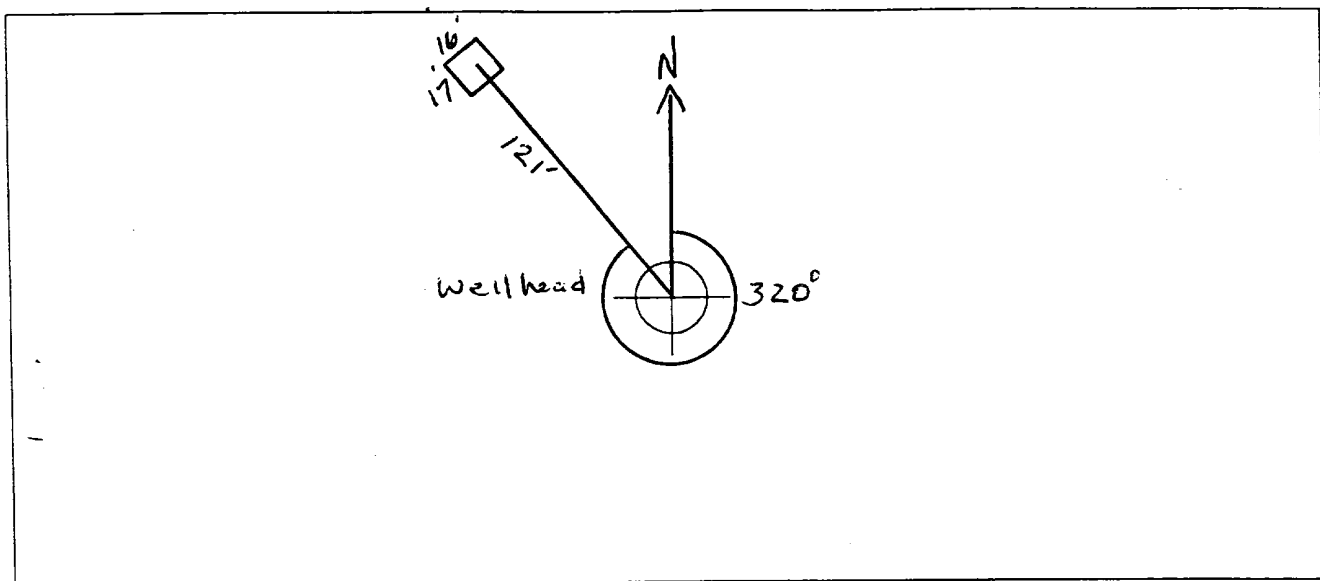
Remarks : Topo - inside Redline - <sup>AK 11-14-94</sup> inside

SITE ASSESSMENT

REMARKS

# ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION

Original Pit : a) Degrees from North 320 Footage from Wellhead 121  
 b) Length : 17 Width : 16 Depth : \_\_\_\_\_



## Remarks :

Pictures 1130 (21-24) Roll 1

Pit appears to have been moved. All measurements and angles taken from surficial evidence of old pit location. Estimated center of pit marked w/ Survey lath

Completed By:

Scott T. Papp

Signature

11/14/94

Date

# **PHASE I EXCAVATION**

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# FIELD PIT REMEDIATION/CLOSURE FORM

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <b>GENERAL</b>            | Meter: <u>71578</u> Location: <u>RINCON UNIT #65</u><br>Coordinates: Letter: <u>0</u> Section <u>23</u> Township: <u>27</u> Range: <u>7</u><br>Or Latitude _____ Longitude _____<br>Date Started : <u>12-1-94</u> Run: <u>03</u> <u>32</u>   |
| <b>FIELD OBSERVATIONS</b> | Sample Number(s): <u>KP 356</u><br>Sample Depth: <u>12'</u> Feet<br>Final PID Reading <u>461</u> PID Reading Depth <u>12'</u> Feet<br>Yes No<br>Groundwater Encountered <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approximate Depth _____ Feet  |
| <b>CLOSURE</b>            | Remediation Method :<br>Excavation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approx. Cubic Yards <u>90</u><br>Onsite Bioremediation <input type="checkbox"/><br>Backfill Pit Without Excavation <input type="checkbox"/><br>Soil Disposition:<br>Envirotech <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tierra <input type="checkbox"/><br>Other Facility <input type="checkbox"/> Name: _____<br>Pit Closure Date: <u>12-2-94</u> Pit Closed By: <u>BET</u> |
| <b>REMARKS</b>            | Remarks : <u>Pit Had all ready Been BACK Filled. we dug off</u><br><u>Clean Soil and Hauled off Contaminated Soil. At 12' Soil still</u><br><u>the same. closed Pit.</u>   |
|                           | Signature of Specialist: <u>Kelly Pacheco</u>  |



FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY  
ANALYTICAL REPORT

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

|                            | Field ID           | Lab ID                  |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| SAMPLE NUMBER:             | KP356              | 946522                  |
| MTR CODE   SITE NAME:      | 71578              | Rincon Unit #65         |
| SAMPLE DATE   TIME (Hrs):  | 12/2/94            | 0910                    |
| PROJECT:                   | PHASE I Excavation |                         |
| DATE OF TPH EXT.   ANAL.:  | 12/5/94            | 12/5/94                 |
| DATE OF BTEX EXT.   ANAL.: | 12/8/94            | 12/12/94                |
| TYPE   DESCRIPTION:        | VC                 | Gray/ Brown Sand & Clay |

Field Remarks:

RESULTS

| PARAMETER      | RESULT | UNITS | QUALIFIERS |   |      |       |
|----------------|--------|-------|------------|---|------|-------|
|                |        |       | DF         | Q | M(g) | V(ml) |
| BENZENE        | <0.50  | MG/KG | 20         |   |      |       |
| TOLUENE        | 3.9    | MG/KG | 20         |   |      |       |
| ETHYL BENZENE  | 5.1    | MG/KG | 20         |   |      |       |
| TOTAL XYLENES  | 43     | MG/KG | 20         |   |      |       |
| TOTAL BTEX     | 52     | MG/KG |            |   |      |       |
| HEADSPACE PID  | 461    | PPM   |            |   |      |       |
| TPH (418.1)    | 1,580  | MG/KG |            |   | 1.96 | 28    |
| PERCENT SOLIDS | 88.4   | %     |            |   |      |       |

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

The Surrogate Recovery was at \* % for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.  
The "D" qualifier indicates the reported result for this analyte is calculated based on a secondary dilution factor.  
Narrative:

ATI results attached. \*Surrogate recovery not obtainable due to sample dilution.

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By:

Date:

12/27/94  
Revised 1/9/98

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1  Test Method for
2  Oil and Grease and Petroleum Hydrocarbons
3  in Water and Soil
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6  Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR
7  Analysis Report
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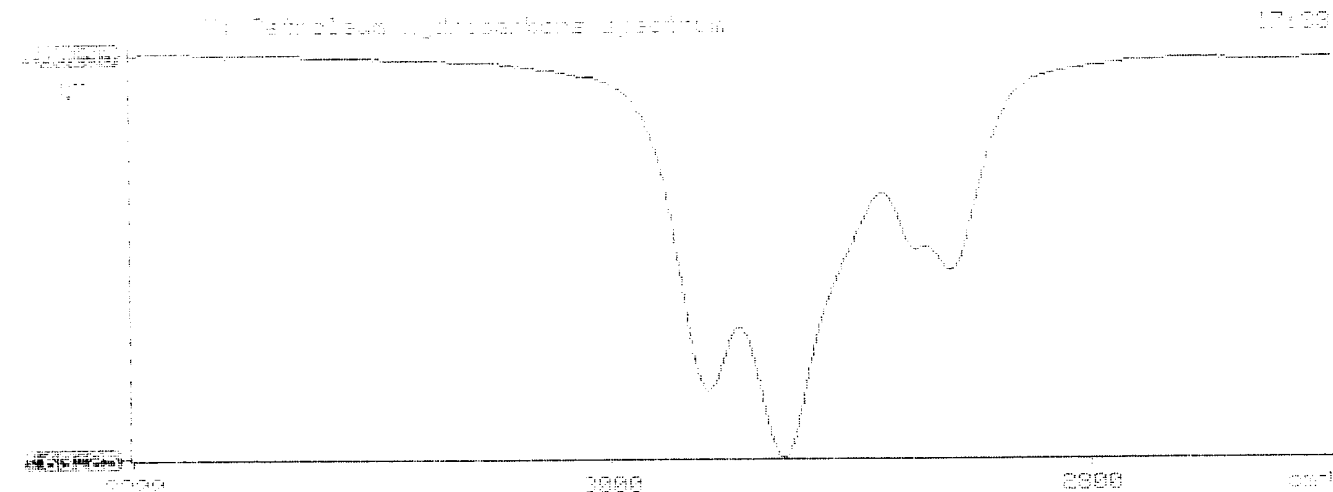
11 Sample Identification  
12 14822

13 Initial mass of sample, g  
14 1.730

15 Volume of sample after extraction, ml  
16 22.000

17 Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm  
18 1077.050

19 Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2730 cm-1)  
20 0.100







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ATI I.D. 412325

December 14, 1994

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

Project Name/Number: PIT CLOSURE 24324

Attention: John Lambdin

On 12/07/94, 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.

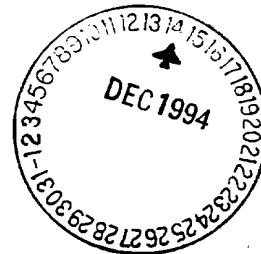
If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at (505) 344-3777.

Letitia Krakowski, Ph.D.  
Project Manager

H. Mitchell Rubenstein, Ph.D.  
Laboratory Manager

MR:jt

Enclosure



# GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY RESULTS

TEST : BTEX (EPA 8020)  
 CLIENT : EL PASO NATURAL GAS CO. ATI I.D.: 412325  
 PROJECT # : 24324  
 PROJECT NAME : PIT CLOSURE

| SAMPLE ID. #  | CLIENT I.D. | MATRIX | DATE SAMPLED | DATE EXTRACTED | DATE ANALYZED | DIL. FACTOR |
|---------------|-------------|--------|--------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| 10            | 946521      | NON-AQ | 12/02/94     | 12/08/94       | 12/12/94      | 10          |
| 11            | 946522      | NON-AQ | 12/02/94     | 12/08/94       | 12/12/94      | 20          |
| 12            | 946523      | NON-AQ | 12/02/94     | 12/08/94       | 12/12/94      | 1           |
| PARAMETER     |             |        | UNITS        | 10             | 11            | 12          |
| BENZENE       |             |        | MG/KG        | <0.25          | <0.50         | <0.025      |
| TOLUENE       |             |        | MG/KG        | <0.25          | 3.9           | 0.03        |
| ETHYLBENZENE  |             |        | MG/KG        | 0.31           | 5.1           | 0.07        |
| TOTAL XYLENES |             |        | MG/KG        | 2.1            | 43            | 0.31        |

## SURROGATE:

BROMOFLUOROBENZENE (%) 94 \* 95

\*SURROGATE RECOVERY NOT OBTAINABLE DUE TO SAMPLE DILUTION

# PHASE II



# RECORD OF SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION

## PHILIP ENVIRONMENTAL

4000 Monroe Road  
Farmington, New Mexico 87401  
(505) 326-2262 FAX (505) 326-2388

Borehole # BH-1  
Well # \_\_\_\_\_  
Page 1 of 1

Project Name EPNG Pits  
Project Number 14509 Phase 6000.77  
Project Location RINCON UNIT NO 65 715.78

Well Logged By Jeff W. Kindley  
Personnel On-Site K. Padilla, F. Ramirez, D. Chanli  
Contractors On-Site \_\_\_\_\_  
Client Personnel On-Site \_\_\_\_\_

Elevation \_\_\_\_\_  
Borehole Location T27, R7, S23, Ø  
GWL Depth \_\_\_\_\_  
Logged By Jeff W. Kindley  
Drilled By K. Padilla  
Date/Time Started 09/12/95 1000  
Date/Time Completed 09/12/95 1222

Drilling Method 4 1/4 ID HSA  
Air Monitoring Method PID, CGI

| Depth<br>(Feet) | Sample<br>Number | Sample<br>Interval | Sample<br>Type &<br>Recovery<br>(inches) | Sample Description<br>Classification System: USCS                               | USCS<br>Symbol | Depth<br>Lithology<br>Change<br>(feet) | Air Monitoring<br>Units: PPM |            |   | Drilling Conditions<br>& Blow Counts |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|--|---|----------------|--|------------------------------|------------|---|--------------------------------------|
|                 |                  |                    |  |   |                |  | BZ                           | BH         | S |                                      |
| 0               |                  |                    |  | Back Fill<br>material<br>to 12'   |                |  |                              |            |   |                                      |
| 5               |                  |                    |  |   |                |  |                              |            |   |                                      |
| 10              |                  |                    |  |   |                |  |                              |            |   |                                      |
| 15              | 1                | 15-17              | 1.0<br>2.0                               | SW, BL to BR SAND, coarse<br>grained, very dense,<br>hydrocarbon odor           |                |  |                              | 115<br>154 |   | 1015<br>52 b blows per<br>Foot       |
| 20              | 2                | 20-22              | 1.2<br>2.0                               | CL, GR CLAY, dry, hard,<br>low plasticity, hydrocarbon<br>odor                  |                |  |                              | 159<br>143 |   | 1030<br>65 blows per<br>Foot         |
| 25              | 3                | 25-27              | 0.3<br>2.0                               | S.A.A.  |                |  |                              | 46<br>127  |   | 1050<br>45 blows per<br>Foot         |
| 30              | 4                | 30-32              | 0.2<br>2.0                               | SW, BR SAND, Fine-grained,<br>dry, dense, slight odor                           |                |  |                              | 84<br>60   |   | 1105<br>48 blows per<br>Foot         |
| 35              | 5                | 35-37              | 0.5<br>2.0                               | CL, GR CLAY, dry, hard,<br>low plasticity, no odor.<br>Boring terminated at 37' |                |  |                              | 0<br>13    |   | 1135<br>100 blows per Foot           |
| 40              |                  |                    |  |   |                |  |                              |            |   |                                      |

Comments:

Sample collected from 35 to 37 feet. (Sample JWK 64). BH grouted to  
the surface. Sample analyzed for ATEX / TPH.

Geologist Signature

*Jeffrey Kindley*



FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY  
ANALYTICAL REPORT

PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Inside the GWV Zone

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

|                            | Field ID          | Lab ID                  |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| SAMPLE NUMBER:             | JWK 64            | 947450                  |
| MTR CODE   SITE NAME:      | 71578             | Rincon Unit No. 65      |
| SAMPLE DATE   TIME (Hrs):  | 09-12-95          | 1135                    |
| PROJECT:                   | Phase II Drilling |                         |
| DATE OF TPH EXT.   ANAL.:  | 9-14-95           |                         |
| DATE OF BTEX EXT.   ANAL.: | 9/14/95           | 9/15/95                 |
| TYPE   DESCRIPTION:        | V6                | Light brown Sand & clay |

Field Remarks:

RESULTS

| PARAMETER      | RESULT               | UNITS | QUALIFIERS |   |            |       |
|----------------|----------------------|-------|------------|---|------------|-------|
|                |                      |       | DF         | Q | M(g)       | V(ml) |
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| 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)    | <del>2330</del> 33.9 | MG/KG |            |   | 2.06<br>28 | 28    |
| HEADSPACE PID  | 13                   | PPM   |            |   |            |       |
| PERCENT SOLIDS | 94.3                 | %     |            |   |            |       |

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

The Surrogate Recovery was at 99% for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.  
Narrative:

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By:

*John Zarch*

Date:

9-18-95

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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  
 947450

\* Initial mass of sample, g  
 2.070

\* Volume of sample after extraction, ml  
 29.000

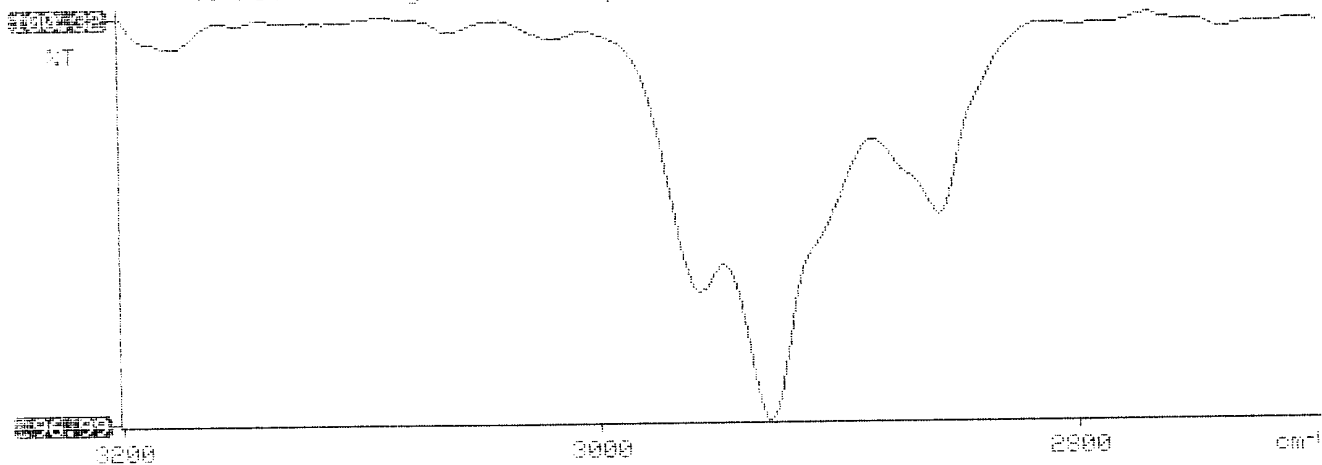
\* Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm  
 32.928

\* Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm<sup>-1</sup>)  
 0.014

k  
 x  
 \*

Y: Petroleum hydrocarbons spectrum

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# BTEX SOIL SAMPLE WORKSHEET

|                      |   |        |                  |   |         |
|----------------------|---|--------|------------------|---|---------|
| File                 | : | 947450 | Date Printed     | : | 9/18/95 |
| Soil Mass (g)        | : | 5.02   | Multiplier (L/g) | : | 0.00100 |
| Extraction vol. (mL) | : | 20     | DF (Analytical)  | : | 200     |
| Shot Volume (uL)     | : | 100    | DF (Report)      | : | 0.19920 |

|                     |   |      |                        | Det. Limit  |
|---------------------|---|------|------------------------|-------------|
| Benzene (ug/L)      | : | 0.09 | Benzene (mg/Kg):       | 0.018 0.498 |
| Toluene (ug/L)      | : | 0.23 | Toluene (mg/Kg):       | 0.046 0.498 |
| Ethylbenzene (ug/L) | : | 0.16 | Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg):  | 0.032 0.498 |
| p & m-xylene (ug/L) | : | 0.64 | p & m-xylene (mg/Kg):  | 0.127 0.996 |
| o-xylene (ug/L)     | : | 0.18 | o-xylene (mg/Kg):      | 0.036 0.498 |
|                     |   |      | Total xylenes (mg/Kg): | 0.163 1.494 |
|                     |   |      | Total BTEX (mg/Kg):    | 0.259       |

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# EL PASO NATURAL GAS

## EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS

File : C:\LABQUEST\CHROM000\091595-0.002  
 Method : C:\LABQUEST\METHODS\9000.MET  
 Sample ID : 947450,5.02G,100U  
 Acquired : Sep 15, 1995 17:11:24  
 Printed : Sep 15, 1995 17:41:48  
 User : MARLON

### Channel A Results

| COMPONENT    | RET TIME | AREA      | CONC (ug/L) |
|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| BENZENE      | 7.983    | 44247     | 0.0909      |
| a,a,a-TFT    | 11.367   | 13053327  | 101.1384    |
| TOLUENE      | 14.377   | 108074    | 0.2250      |
| ETHYLBENZENE | 19.400   | 68389     | 0.1619      |
| M,P-XYLENES  | 19.817   | 376820    | 0.6447      |
| O-XYLENE     | 21.083   | 69601     | 0.1751      |
| BFB          | 22.827   | 113351008 | 99.4412     |

