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Subject:

Corrective Action Plan (1R428-73) Approval - ROC Hobbs SWD G-9 Vent Site

RE: Corrective Action Plan for the Rice Operating Company's

Hobbs SWD G-9 Vent Site

Unit Letter G, Section 9, T19S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico

Corrective Action Plan (1R428-73) Approval

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Corrective Action Plan for the Hobbs SWD G-9 Vent Site, dated May 16, 2011 (and addendum, dated August 4, 2011) and has conducted a review of the Plan. The Plan indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC (Part 29; formerly, Rule 116) for a remediation plan. Therefore, the OCD hereby conditionally approves the Corrective Action Plan as proposed for above-referenced site in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC:

ROC must submit to the OCD a report of the corrective actions within 120 days.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this plan does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility should operations pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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