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# WORKPLANS

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**August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Mr. Edward Hansen**

New Mexico Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau  
1220 S. St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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**RE: Investigation and Characterization Plan (ICP)  
Rice Operating Company – BD SWD System  
BD Jct. N-20 (1R426-215): UL/N sec. 20 T21S R37E**

Mr. Hansen:

RICE Operating Company (ROC) has retained Rice Environmental Consulting and Safety (RECS) to address potential environmental concerns at the above-referenced site in the BD Salt Water Disposal (SWD) system. ROC is the service provider (agent) for the BD SWD System and has no ownership of any portion of the pipeline, well, or facility. The system is owned by a consortium of oil producers, System Parties, who provide all operating capital on a percentage ownership/usage basis.

For all such environmental projects, ROC will choose the path forward that:

- Protects public health,
- Provides the greatest net environmental benefit,
- Complies with NMOCD Rules, and
- Is supported by good science.

Each site shall generally have three submissions:

1. This Investigation and Characterization Plan (ICP) is proposed for gathering data and site characterization and assessment.
2. Upon evaluating the data and results from the ICP, a recommended remedy will be submitted in a Corrective Action Plan (CAP), if warranted.
3. Finally, after implementing the remedy, a Termination Request with final documentation will be submitted.

## **Background and Previous Work**

The site is located approximately 2 miles northwest of Eunice, New Mexico at UL/N sec. 20 T21S R37E as shown on the Site Location Map (Figure 1). NM OSE records indicate that groundwater will likely be encountered at a depth of approximately 99 +/- feet.

In 2007, ROC initiated work on the former BD N-20 junction box. The site was delineated using a backhoe to form a 25 ft x 25 ft x 12 ft deep excavation and soil samples were screened at regular intervals for both hydrocarbons and chlorides. From the excavation, the four-wall composite, the bottom composite and the blended backfill were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. Laboratory tests of the four-wall composite showed a chloride reading of 1,070 mg/kg and a gasoline range organics (GRO) and a diesel range organics (DRO) reading of non-detect. The bottom composite showed a chloride laboratory reading of 2,000 mg/kg and a GRO and DRO reading of non-detect. The backfill sample showed a chloride laboratory reading of 944 mg/kg, a GRO reading of non-detect and a DRO reading of 10.1 mg/kg.

The excavated soil was blended on site and used to backfill the excavation to 6 ft bgs. At 6 – 5 ft bgs, a 1 ft thick clay layer was installed and properly seated into the excavation. The remaining blended soil was used to backfill the excavation to ground surface and contour it to the surrounding location. An identification plate was placed on the surface of the site to mark its location for future environmental considerations. The site was then seeded with a blend of native vegetation. A new water-tight junction box was installed 25 ft north of the former junction box site.

To further delineate the site, two soil bores were installed on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007. SB-1 was installed at the source of the former junction box and SB-2 was installed 15 ft east of the former junction box. While the bores were being advanced, samples were taken every 5 ft and field tested for chlorides and hydrocarbons. The deepest sample from each bore, located at 75 ft bgs, was taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. SB-1 returned a laboratory chloride result of 624 mg/kg and SB-2 returned a laboratory chloride result of 752 mg/kg.

NMOCD was notified of potential groundwater impact on July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and a junction box disclosure report (Appendix A) was submitted to NMOCD with all the 2008 junction box closures and disclosures.

ROC proposes additional investigative work at the site to determine if there is potential for groundwater degradation from residual chlorides at the site.

### **Proposed Work Elements**

1. Conduct vertical and lateral delineation of residual chlorides and hydrocarbons from samples taken using a drill rig, hand augur and/or backhoe (see Appendix B for Quality Procedures).
  - a. Vertical sampling will be conducted until the following criteria are met in the field.
    - i. Three samples in which the chloride concentration decreases and the third sample has a chloride concentration of  $\leq 250$  ppm; and,
    - ii. Three samples in which PID readings decrease and the third sample has a PID reading of  $\leq 100$  ppm; or,
    - iii. The sampling reaches the capillary fringe.

- b. Lateral sampling will be conducted until the following criteria are met in the field.
  - i. A decrease is observed in chloride concentrations between lateral bores at similar depths; and,
  - ii. A chloride concentration of  $\leq 250$  ppm is observed in a lateral surface sample; or,
  - iii. Safety concerns impede further lateral delineation
2. If warranted, install a monitor well to provide direct measurement of the potential groundwater impact at the site. Additional monitoring wells may be required to fully delineate groundwater quality. (All monitor wells will be installed by EPA, NMOCD, and industry standards.)
3. Evaluate the risk of groundwater impact based on the information obtained.

If the evaluation of the site shows no threat to groundwater from residual chlorides, then only a vadose zone remedy will be undertaken. However, if groundwater shows impact from residual chlorides, a CAP will be developed to address these concerns.

RECS appreciates the opportunity to work with you on this project. Please call Hack Conder at (575) 393-2967 or me if you have any questions or wish to discuss the site.

Sincerely,



Lara Weinheimer  
Project Scientist  
RECS  
(575) 441-0431

Attachments:

- Figure 1 – Site Location Map
- Figure 2 – Geographical Location Map
- Appendix A – Junction Box Disclosure Report
- Appendix B – Quality Procedures



# Figures

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# Site Location Map



***BD Jct. N-20***

Legals: UL/N sec. 20  
T-21-S R-37-E  
LEA COUNTY, NM

NMOCD Case #: 1R426-215

**Figure 1**



0 0.25 0.5  
Miles

Drawing date: 8/1/13  
Drafted by: L. Weinheimer

# Geographical Location Map



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**Figure 2**



0 0.1 0.2  
Miles

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# Appendix A

## Junction Box Disclosure Report

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**RICE OPERATING COMPANY  
JUNCTION BOX DISCLOSURE\* REPORT**

**BOX LOCATION**

SWD SYSTEM	JUNCTION	UNIT	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	COUNTY	BOX DIMENSIONS - FEET		
Blaine-Drinkard (BD)	Jct. N-20	N	20	21S	37E	Lea	Length	Width	Depth
							moved 25 ft north		

LAND TYPE: BLM \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ FEE LANDOWNER \_\_\_\_\_ Millard Deck \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

Depth to Groundwater \_\_\_\_\_ 99 \_\_\_\_\_ feet NMOCD SITE ASSESSMENT RANKING SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Date Started \_\_\_\_\_ 3/8/2007 \_\_\_\_\_ Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_ 4/18/2007 \_\_\_\_\_ OCD Witness \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Soil Excavated \_\_\_\_\_ 277.8 \_\_\_\_\_ cubic yards Excavation Length \_\_\_\_\_ 25 \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ 25 \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_ feet

Soil Disposed \_\_\_\_\_ 0 \_\_\_\_\_ cubic yards Offsite Facility \_\_\_\_\_ n/a \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_ n/a \_\_\_\_\_

**FINAL ANALYTICAL RESULTS:** Sample Date \_\_\_\_\_ 3/14/2007, 3/15/2007, 4/18/2007 \_\_\_\_\_ Sample Depth \_\_\_\_\_ 12 ft, 75 ft \_\_\_\_\_

Procure 5-point composite sample of bottom and 4-point composite sample of sidewalls. TPH and Chloride laboratory test results completed by using an approved lab and testing procedures pursuant to NMOCD guidelines.

**CHLORIDE FIELD TESTS**

Sample Location	PID (field) ppm	GRO mg/kg	DRO mg/kg	Chloride mg/kg
4-WALL COMP.	0.0	<10.0	<10.0	1070
BOTTOM COMP.	3.5	<10.0	<10.0	2000
BACKFILL	5.5	<10.0	10.1	944
SOIL BORE #1				624
SOIL BORE #2				752

LOCATION	DEPTH	mg/kg
4-wall comp.	n/a	1121
bottom comp.	12'	1859
backfill	n/a	912
vertical delineation trench at junction (source)	2'	235
	3'	291
	4'	259
	5'	477
	6'	355
	7'	1140
	8'	1188
	9'	1584
	10'	1790
	11'	1650
	12'	1841

General Description of Remedial Action: \_\_\_\_\_ This junction was addressed under the pipe-

line replacement/upgrade program. A new, watertight junction box was installed 25 ft north of the former. After the former box was removed, an investigation was conducted using a backhoe to collect soil samples at regular intervals producing a 25x25x12-ft-deep hole. Each sample was field tested for chlorides and organic vapors. Field chloride tests yielded elevated concentrations of chloride that did not relent with depth. Representative composite samples were sent to a commercial laboratory for analysis. The excavated soil was then blended on site and return to the excavation up to 6 ft below ground surface. At 6-5 ft BGS, a 1-ft-thick clay barrier was installed.

The remaining fill was used to backfill the excavation to ground surface and contour to the surrounding area. An identification plate was placed on the surface at the former junction site to mark the presence of the clay below. On 3/16/2007, the site was seeded with a blend of native vegetation and is expected to return to a productive capacity at a normal rate. To further investigate depth of chloride presence, two soil borings were initiated on 4/18/2007 at the former junction box site and 15 ft east of the former box site. Each boring was advanced to 75 ft BGS while soil samples were collected every 5 ft and tested for chloride concentrations. The deepest sample, 75 ft BGS, was sent to a commercial laboratory for analysis. Each bore hole was plugged with bentonite to ground surface. NMOCD was notified of potential groundwater impact on 7/25/2008.

**ADDITIONAL EVALUATION IS HIGH PRIORITY**

enclosures: photos, cross-section, lab results, PID screenings, boring data, chloride graph

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

SITE SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_ Noel Carmona \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_ RICE OPERATING COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

REPORT ASSEMBLED BY \_\_\_\_\_ Katie Jones \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_ KJ \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT LEADER \_\_\_\_\_ Larry Bruce Baker Jr. \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 1-21-09 \_\_\_\_\_

\*This site is a "DISCLOSURE." It will be placed on a prioritized list of similar sites for further consideration.

## **BD Jct. N-20**

Unit N, Section 20, T21S, R37E



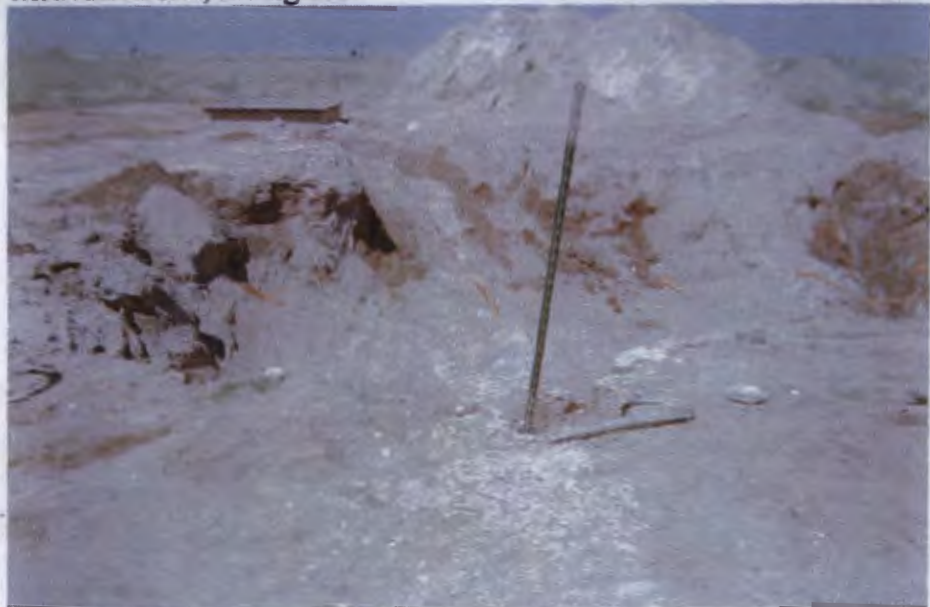
excavation site, facing east

3/14/2007



backfilling excavation site up to 6 ft BGS, facing north

3/15/2007



backfilled site up to 6 ft BGS with new,  
watertight box in background

3/15/2007

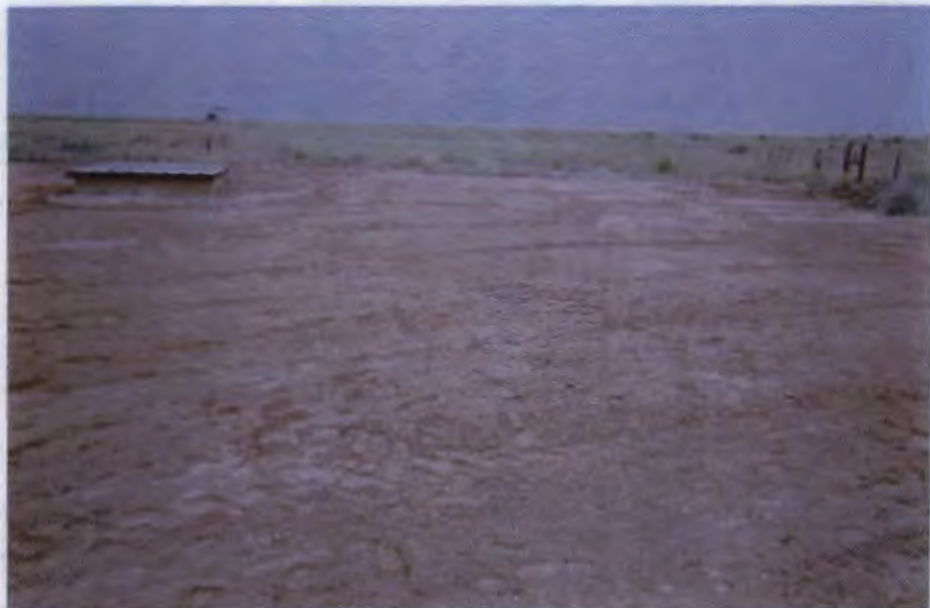


clay barrier, facing east

3/15/2007

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Unit N, Section 20, T21S, R37E



site complete, prior to seeding with new,  
watertight box in background, facing north

3/16/2007



clay marker, facing north

3/16/2007



seeding backfilled site, facing south

3/16/2007



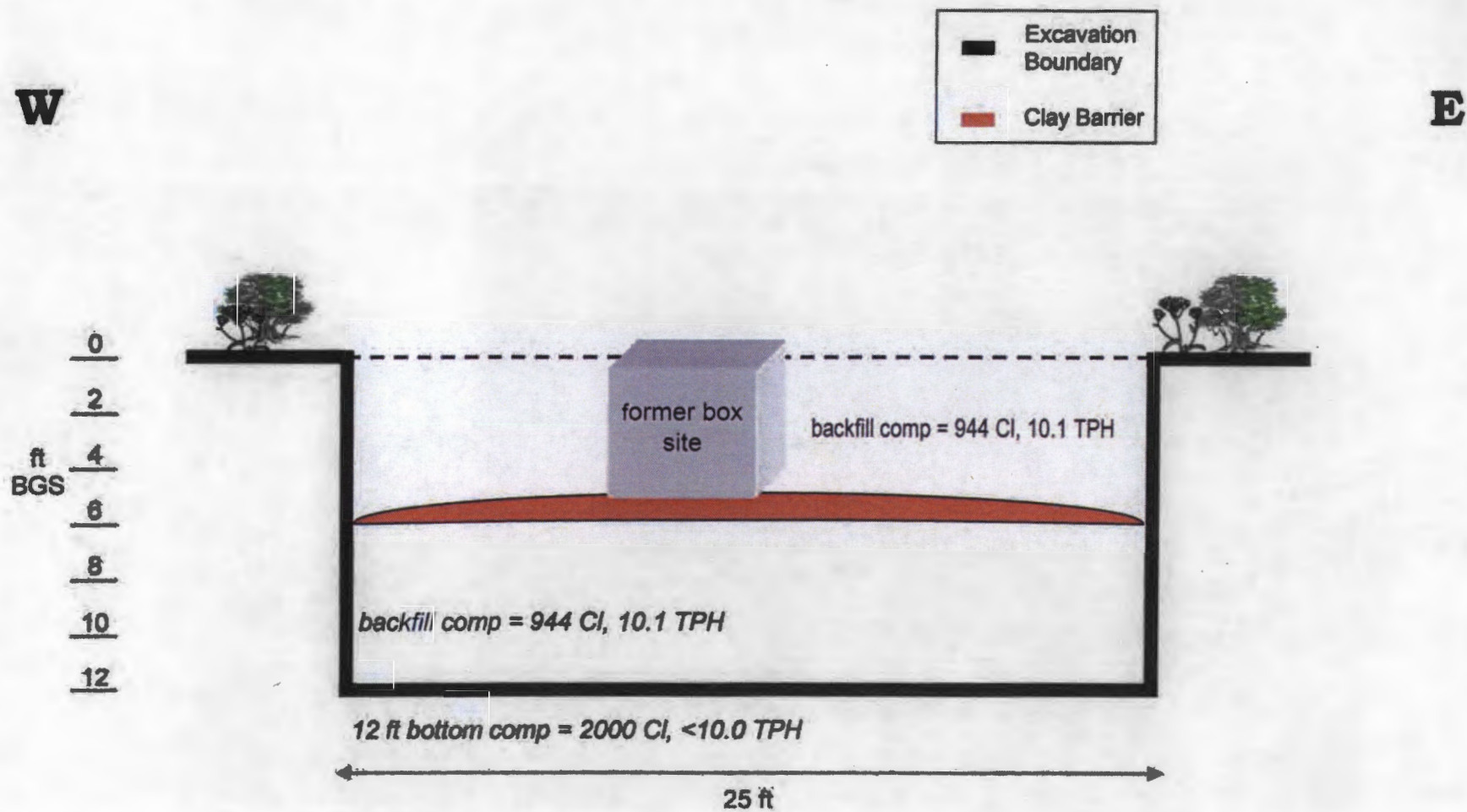
soil boring 15 ft east of former junction box, facing north

4/18/2007

# BD Jct. N-20

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## Excavation Cross-Section



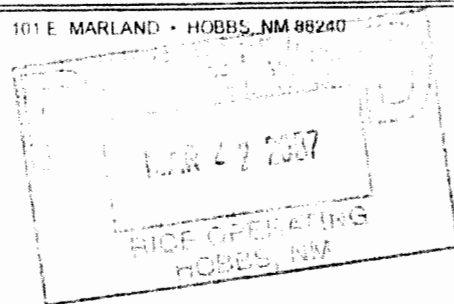


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Receiving Date: 03/15/07  
Reporting Date: 03/19/07  
Project Number: NOT GIVEN  
Project Name: B.D. JCT N-20  
Project Location: NOT GIVEN

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Sampling Date: 03/14 & 03/15/07  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: BC  
Analyzed By: BC/HM

LAB NUMBER	SAMPLE ID	GRO (C <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>10</sub> ) (mg/Kg)	DRO (>C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>28</sub> ) (mg/Kg)	CI* (mg/Kg)
		03/15/07	03/15/07	03/18/07
H12343-1	BTTM. 5 PT. COMP. @ 12'	<10.0	<10.0	2000
H12343-2	4 WALL COMP. @ 25'x25'	<10.0	<10.0	1070
H12343-3	BLENDED BACKFILL	<10.0	10.1	944
Quality Control		742	760	480
True Value QC		800	800	500
% Recovery		92.8	95.0	96.0
Relative Percent Difference		2.5	1.7	4.1

METHODS TPH GRO & DRO: EPA SW-846 8015 M, CI: Std. Methods 4500-CI B

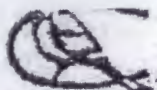
\*Analyses performed on 1:4 w/v aqueous extracts.

Chemist

Date

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City: <u>Hobbs</u> State: <u>N.M.</u> Zip: <u>88240</u>				Attn:																				
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Project #:				City:																				
Project Name: <u>B.D. Jct. N-20</u>				State: Zip:																				
Project Location:				Phone #:																				
Sampler Name: <u>Noel Carmone</u>				Fax #:																				
FOR LAB USE ONLY		Lab I.D.	Sample I.D.	G/RAB OR (C)OMP. # CONTAINERS	MATRIX						PRESERV.		SAMPLING		DATE	TIME								
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Project Name: NOT GIVEN  
Project Location: BD N-20

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Sampling Date: 04/18/07  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: BC  
Analyzed By: HM

LAB NUMBER	SAMPLE ID	Cl <sup>-</sup> (mg/Kg)
H12486-1	SB #1 @ 75' 15' E	624
H12486-2	SB #2 @ 75' at former jct.	752
Quality Control		480
True Value QC		500
% Recovery		96
Relative Percent Difference		2.1

METHOD: Standard Methods

4500-Cl<sup>-</sup>B

Note: Analyses performed on 1:4 w/v aqueous extracts

  
Chemist

04-20-07  
Date

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## VOC FIELD TEST REPORT FORM

### PID METER READING & CALIBRATION

CK.  
MODEL  
NO.

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MODEL: PGM 761S

MODEL: PGM 7600

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SERIAL NO: 104412

SERIAL NO: 110-013744

SERIAL NO: 110-12383

SERIAL NO: 110-012920

LOT NO: 65-2492

FILL DATE: 11-28-05

ACCURACY: +/- 2%

GAS COMPOSITION: ISOBUTYLENE 100PPM / AIR: BALANCE

EXP. DATE: 5-28-07

METER READING ACCURACY: 100.0

SYSTEM	JUNCTION	UNIT	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
BD	N-20	N	20	21S	37E

SAMPLE	PID Results	Sample	PID Results
N. Wall 1	8.9	E. Wall 1	1.2
2	3	2	0.5
3	0	3	0
4	0.3	4	3.1
5	0.3	5	0
N. Wall Comp.	0.8	E. Wall Comp.	6.1
S. Wall 1	1.6	W. Wall 1	0.9
2	0	2	1.5
3	2.2	3	1
4	8.2	4	0.7
5	0.3	5	0
S. Wall Comp.	10.4	W. Wall Comp.	3.3
4 Wall Comp.	0		

I verify that I have calibrated the above instrument in accordance to the manufacture operation manual.

SIGNATURE: [Signature]

DATE: 3-14-07

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SERIAL NO: 104412  
SERIAL NO: 110-013744  
SERIAL NO: 110-12383  
SERIAL NO: 110-012920

LOT NO: 05-2992  
FILL DATE: 5-28-05  
ACCURACY: +/- 2%

GAS COMPOSITION: ISOBUTYLENE 100PPM / AIR: BALANCE

EXP. DATE: 5-28-07

METER READING ACCURACY: 100.0

SYSTEM	JUNCTION	UNIT	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
BD	N-20	N	20	21S	37E

SAMPLE	PID Results	Sample	PID Results
5 FT BTM	3.5		
BTM	1	1.9	
	2	10.2	
	3	3.5	
	4	4.7	
	5	3.9	
<del>BTM Comp</del>			
Blended Backfill	5.5		

I verify that I have calibrated the above instrument in accordance to the manufacture operation manual.

SIGNATURE: [Signature]

DATE: 3-14-07

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## SOIL BORE DATA SHEET

SYSTEM: BD		LOCATION: N-20 JCT		LANDOWNER:	
DGW: 99ft	GPS: 32°27.523N 103°11.086W			SB/MW ID: SB #2	
UL N	SEC. 20	TOWNSHIP 21S		RANGE 37E	

DEPTH(ft)	SOIL	WATER	RATIO	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	Cl <sup>-</sup>	PID	TIME	SAMPLE DESCRIPTION
15	10.7	30.6	2.86	1.06	3030	N/A	12:00	Red/tan,dry;F/VFG sand; uncon; generally well srted but w/ pebbles (0.5-1cm) of caliche and well cmted sand
20	10.1	30.8	3.05	1.01	3079	N/A	12:02	Tan,dry;VFG sand, uncon;well srted, tr pebbles of well cmted sand
25	10.5	31.2	2.97	0.88	2614	N/A	12:04	Same as 20'
30	10.2	30.3	2.97	0.82	2435	N/A	12:06	Reddish/tan,dry;VFG sand;uncon;well srted
35	10.3	30.8	2.99	0.63	1883	N/A	12:09	Red,dry;VFG sand;uncons;well srted
40	10.9	30.7	2.82	0.58	1633	N/A	12:12	Same as 35'
45	10.4	30.4	2.92	0.55	1607	N/A	12:14	Same as 35'
50	10.5	30.3	2.89	0.42	1212	N/A	12:16	Same as 35'
55	10.2	30.2	2.96	0.35	1036	N/A	12:18	Same as 35'
60	10.6	30.5	2.88	0.36	1036	N/A	12:20	Same as 35'
65	10	30.3	3.03	0.26	788	N/A	12:22	Same as 35'
70	10.7	30.2	2.82	0.25	705	N/A	12:24	Red,damp,VFG sand;uncon;well srted
75	10	30.2	3.02	0.23	694	N/A	12:26	Red,damp,VFG sand;uncon;well srted;tr small (0.5-1cm) pebbles of well cmted sand

TD @ 75 ft.

NOTES: 75' sample jarred for lab analysis (Chlorides)

SIGNATURE: Tony Grieco DATE: 4/18/2007

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# SOIL BORE DATA SHEET

SYSTEM: BD		LOCATION: N-20 JCT		LANDOWNER:	
DGW: 99ft	GPS: 32°27.523N 103°11.085W			SB/MW ID: SB #1	
UL N	SEC. 20	TOWNSHIP 21S		RANGE 37E	

DEPTH(ft)	SOIL	WATER	RATIO	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	Cl <sup>-</sup>	PID	TIME	SAMPLE DESCRIPTION
15	10	30.6	3.06	0.8	2447	N/A	9:04	Red;dry;pred F/VFG sand; uncon; some larger pebbles of caliche
20	10.1	30.3	3.00	0.85	2549	N/A	9:09	Red;dry;VFG sand; uncon; well srted
25	10.3	30.1	2.92	1.05	3067	N/A	9:13	Tan;dry; VFG sand; uncon; well srted
30	10.6	30	2.83	0.74	2094	N/A	9:14	Same as 25'
35	10.1	30.8	3.05	0.45	1372	N/A	9:15	Same as 25'
40	10.8	30.7	2.84	0.48	1364	N/A	9:33	Same as 25'
45	10.2	30.4	2.98	0.45	1341	N/A	9:37	Same as 25'
50	10	30.2	3.02	0.45	1359	N/A	9:40	Same as 25'
55	10.9	30.3	2.78	0.42	1167	N/A	9:54	Red/tan;dry;VFG sand;uncons;well srted
60	10.1	30.3	3.00	0.37	1110	N/A	9:57	Same as 55'
65	10.7	31.3	2.93	0.21	614	N/A	10:10	Red;dry;generally VFG sand;uncon;well srted; some 0.5-3cm pebbles of well cmted sand
70	10.7	30.6	2.86	0.2	572	N/A	10:13	Same as 65'
75	10.1	31.8	3.15	0.2	630	N/A	10:15	Red;moist;otherwise same as 70'

TD @ 75 ft.

NOTES: Plugged with 4 bags of bentonite  
75' sample jarred for lab analysis (chlorides)

SIGNATURE: Tony Grieco DATE: 4/18/2007

## CHLORIDE CONCENTRATION CURVE

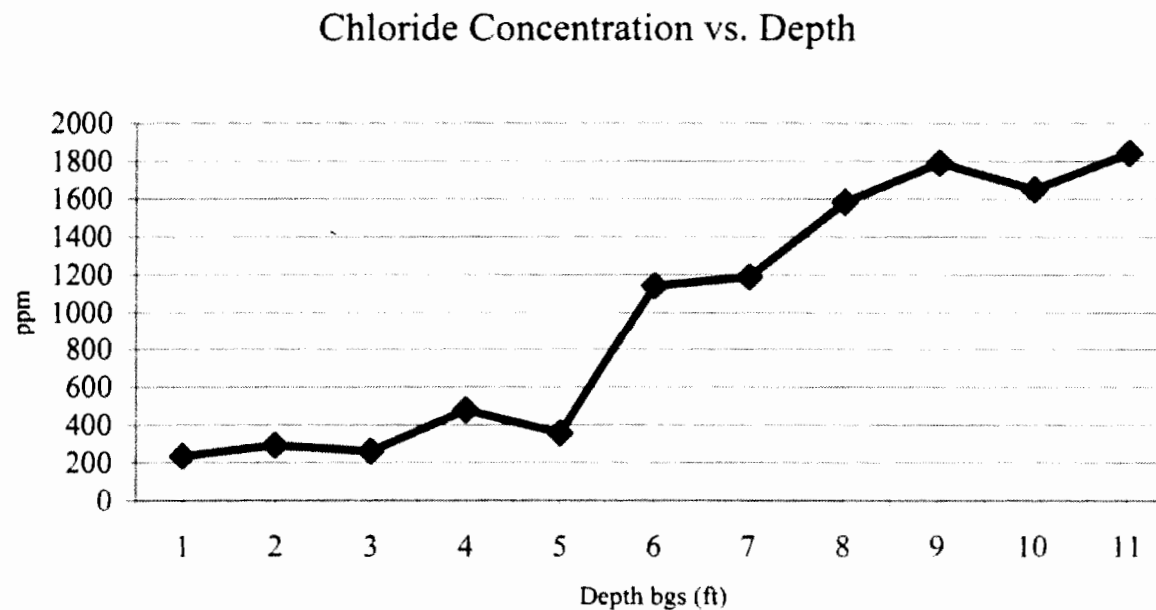
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### BD Jct. N-20

unit 'N', Sec. 20, T21S, R37E

*Backhoe samples at junction (source)*

Depth bgs (ft)	[Cl <sup>-</sup> ] ppm
2	235
3	291
4	259
5	477
6	355
7	1140
8	1188
9	1584
10	1790
11	1650
12	1841



Groundwater = 99 ft



# Appendix B

Quality Procedures

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## Quality Procedures

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### **Quality Procedure Soil Samples for Transportation to a Laboratory**

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#### **1.0 Purpose**

This procedure outlines the methods to be employed when obtaining soil samples to be taken to a laboratory for analysis.

#### **2.0 Scope**

This procedure is to be used when collecting soil samples intended for ultimate transfer to a testing laboratory.

#### **3.0 Preliminary**

- 3.1 Obtain sterile sampling containers from the testing laboratory designated to conduct analyses of the soil.
- 3.2 If collecting TPH, BTEX, RCRA 8 metals, cation /anions or O&G, the sample jar may be a clear 4 oz. container with Teflon lid. If collecting PAH's, use an amber 4 oz. container.

#### **4.0 Chain of Custody**

- 4.1 Prepare a Sample Plan. The plan will list the number, location and designation of each planned sample and the individual tests to be performed on the sample. The sampler will check the list against the available inventory of appropriate sample collection bottles to insure against shortage.
- 4.2 Transfer the data to the Laboratory Chain of Custody Form. Complete all sections of the form except those that relate to the time of delivery of the samples to the laboratory.
- 4.3 Pre-label the sample collection jars. Include all requested information except time of collection. (Use a fine point Sharpie to insure that the ink remains on the label.) Affix the labels to the jars.

#### **5.0 Sampling Procedure**

- 5.1 Do not touch the soil with your bare hands. Use new nitrile gloves to help minimize any contamination.
- 5.2 Go to the sampling point with the sample container. If not analyzing for ions or metals, use a trowel to obtain the soil.

- 5.3 Pack the soil tightly into the container leaving the top slightly domed. Screw the lid down tightly. Enter the time of collection onto the sample collection jar label.
- 5.4 Place the sample directly on ice for transport to the laboratory if required.
- 5.5 Complete the Chain of Custody form to include the collection times for each sample. Deliver all samples to the laboratory.

## **6.0 Documentation**

- 6.1 The testing laboratory shall provide the following minimum information:
  - a. Project and sample name.
  - b. Signed copy of the original Chain of Custody Form including the time the sample was received by the lab.
  - c. Results of the requested analyses
  - d. Test Methods employed
  - e. Quality Control methods and results

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### **QUALITY PROCEDURE Chloride Titration Using 0.282 Normal Silver Nitrate Solution**

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#### **1.0 Purpose**

This procedure is to be used to determine the concentration of chloride in soil.

#### **2.0 Scope**

This procedure is to be used as the standard field measurement for soil chloride concentrations.

#### **3.0 Sample Collection and Preparation**

- 3.1 Collect at least 80 grams of soil from the sample collection point. Take care to insure that the sample is representative of the general background to include visible concentrations of hydrocarbons and soil types. If necessary, prepare a composite sample for soils obtained at several points in the sample area. Take care to insure that no loose vegetation, rocks or liquids are included in the sample(s).
- 3.2 The soil sample(s) shall be immediately inserted into a one-quart or larger polyethylene freezer bag. Care should be taken to insure that no cross-contamination occurs between the soil sample and the collection tools or sample processing equipment.
- 3.3 The sealed sample bag should be massaged to break up any clods.

#### **4.0 Sample Preparation**

- 4.1 Tare a clean glass vial having a minimum 40 ml capacity. Add at least 10 grams of the soil sample and record the weight.
- 4.2 Add at least 20 grams of reverse osmosis water to the soil sample and shake well.
- 4.3 Allow the sample to set for a period of 5 minutes or until the separation of soil and water.

#### **5.0 Titration Procedure**

- 5.1 Using a graduated pipette, remove 10 ml extract and dispense into a clean plastic cup.
- 5.2 Add 2-3 drops potassium chromate ( $K_2CrO_4$ ) to mixture if necessary.

5.3 Using a 1 ml pipette, carefully add .282 normal silver nitrate (one drop at a time) to the sample while constantly agitating it. Stop adding silver nitrate when the solution begins to change from yellow to red. Be consistent with endpoint recognition.

5.4 Record the ml of silver nitrate used.

## 6.0 Calculation

To obtain the chloride concentration, insert measured data into the following formula:

$$\frac{.282 \times 35,450 \times \text{ml AgNO}_3}{\text{ml water extract}} \times \frac{\text{grams of water in mixture}}{\text{grams of soil in mixture}}$$

Using Step 5.0, determine the chloride concentration of the RO water used to mix with the soil sample. Record this concentration and subtract it from the formula results to find the net chloride in the soil sample.

Record all results on the delineation form.

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**Quality Procedure**  
**Development of Cased Water-Monitoring Wells**

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**1.0 Purpose**

This procedure outlines the methods to be employed to develop cased monitoring wells.

**2.0 Scope**

This procedure shall be used for developed, cased water monitoring wells. It is not to be used for standing water samples such as ponds or streams.

**3.0 Sample Collection and Preparation**

- 3.1 Prior to development, the static water level and height of the water column within the well casing will be measured with the use of an electric D.C. probe.
- 3.2 All measurements will be recorded within a field log notebook.
- 3.3 All equipment used to measure the static water level will be decontaminated after each use by means of Liquinox, a phosphate free laboratory detergent, and water to reduce the possibility of cross-contamination. The volume of water in each well casing will be calculated.

**4.0 Purging**

- 4.1 Wells will be purged by using a 2" decontaminated submersible pump or dedicated one liter Teflon bailer. Wells should be purged until the pH and conductivity are stabilized and the turbidity has been reduced to the greatest extent possible.
- 4.2 If a submersible is used the pump will be decontaminated prior to use by scrubbing the outside surface of tubing and wiring with a Liquinox water mixture, pumping a Liquinox-water mixture through the pump, and a final flush with fresh water.

**5.0 Water Disposal**

- 5.1 All purge and decontamination water will be temporarily stored within a portable tank to be later disposed of in an appropriate manner.

**6.0 Records**

- 6.1 Rice Environmental Consulting and Safety will record the amount of water removed from the well during development procedures. The purge volume will be reported to the appropriate regulatory authority when filing the closure report.

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### **Quality Procedure Sampling of Cased Water-Monitoring Well**

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#### **1.0 Purpose**

This procedure outlines the methods to be employed in obtaining water samples from cased monitoring wells.

#### **2.0 Scope**

This procedure shall be used for developed, cased water monitoring wells. It is not to be used for standing water samples such as ponds or streams.

#### **3.0 Preliminary**

3.1 Obtain sterile sampling containers from the testing laboratory designated to conduct analyses of the water.

3.2 The following table shall be used to select the appropriate sampling container, preservative method and holding times for the various elements and compounds to be analyzed.

<b>Compound to be Analyzed</b>	<b>Sample Container Size</b>	<b>Sample Container Description</b>	<b>Cap Requirements</b>	<b>Preservative</b>	<b>Maximum Hold Time</b>
BTEX	40 ml	VOA Container	Teflon Lined	HCL	14 days
TPH (8015 Extended)	40 ounces	(2) 40ml VOA vials	Teflon Lined	HCL and Ice	14 days
PAH	1 liter	amber glass	Teflon Lined	Ice	7 days
Cation/Anion	1 liter	HD polyethylene	Any Plastic	None	48 Hrs
Metals	1 liter	HD polyethylene	Any Plastic	Ice/HNO <sub>3</sub>	28 Days
TDS	300 ml	clear glass or 250 ml HD polyethylene	Any Plastic	Ice	7 Days
Cl-	500 ml	HD polyethylene	Any Plastic	None	28 Days

#### **4.0 Chain of Custody**

- 4.1 Prepare a Sample Plan. The plan will list the well identification and the individual tests to be performed at that location. The sampler will check the list against the available inventory of appropriate sample collection bottles to insure against shortage.
- 4.2 Transfer the data to the Laboratory Chain of Custody Form. Complete all sections of the form except those that relate to the time of delivery of the samples to the laboratory.
- 4.3 Pre-label the sample collection jars. Include all requested information except time of collection. (Use a fine point Sharpie to insure that the ink remains on the label). Affix the labels to the jars.

#### **5.0 Bailing Procedure**

- 5.1 Identify the well from the sites schematics. Place pre-labeled jar(s) next to the well. Remove the plastic cap from the well bore by first lifting the metal lever and then unscrewing the entire assembly.
- 5.2 Using a dedicated one liter Teflon bailer or submersible pump, purge a minimum of three well volumes. Place the water in storage container for transport to a ROC disposal facility.
- 5.3 If using a bailer, take care to insure that the bailing device and string does not become cross-contaminated. A clean pair of nitrile gloves should be used when handling either the retrieval string or bailer. The retrieval string should not be allowed to come into contact with the ground.

#### **6.0 Sampling Procedure**

- 6.1 Once the well has been bailed in accordance with 5.2 of this procedure, a sample may be decanted into the appropriate sample collection jar directly from the bailer or submersible pump.
- 6.2 Note the time of collection on the sample jar with a fine Sharpie.
- 6.3 Place the sample directly on ice for transport to the laboratory. The preceding table shows the maximum hold times between collection and testing for the various analyses.

6.4 Complete the Chain of Custody form to include the collection times for each sample. Deliver all samples to the laboratory.

## 7.0 Documentation

7.1 The testing laboratory shall provide the following minimum information:

- A. Project and sample name.
- B. Signed copy of the original Chain of Custody Form including the time the sample was received by the lab.
- C. Results of the requested analyses
- D. Test Methods employed
- E. Quality Control methods and results

### Calculation for Determining the Minimum Bailing Volume for Monitor Wells

$$\text{Formula } V = (\pi r^2 h)$$

2" well  $[V/2.31 = \text{gal}] \times 3 = \text{Purge Volume}$

**V**=Volume

**$\pi$** =pi

**r**=inside radius of the well bore

**h**=maximum height of well bore in water table

Example:

<b><math>\pi</math></b>	<b><math>r^2</math></b>	<b>h(in)</b>	<b>V(cu.in)</b>	<b>V(gal)</b>	<b>X 3 Volumes</b>	<b>Actual</b>
3.1416	1	180	565.488	2.448	7.34 gal	>10 gal

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### Quality Procedure Composite Sampling of Excavation Sidewalls and Bottoms For TPH and Chloride Analysis

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#### 1.0 Purpose

This procedure outlines the methods to be employed when obtaining final composite soil samples for TPH and Chloride analysis.

#### 2.0 Scope

This procedure is to be used in conjunction with *Quality Procedure – 02: Soil Samples for Transportation to a Laboratory* and will be inserted at subparagraph 5.2 of Section 5.0: Sampling Procedure.

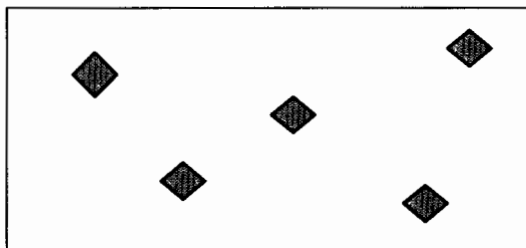
#### 3.0 Sampling Procedure

Follow *Quality Procedure – 02: Soil Samples for Transportation to a Laboratory* for all Sections and subparagraphs until subparagraph 5.2 of Section 5.0: Sampling Procedure. Instead of 5.2 instructions, perform the composite sample collection procedure as follows:

3.1 Go to the excavation with a new plastic baggie. If not analyzing for ions or metals, use a trowel to obtain the soil. If the excavation is deeper than 6' BGS, do not enter the pit, but use a backhoe to assist in procurement of the sample. (If a backhoe is used, the backhoe will obtain an amount of soil from each composite point; bring the purchase to the surface staging area where a sample-portion of soil will be extracted from the backhoe purchase. The remainder of the backhoe purchase will be staged on the surface with other staged soils.)

#### 3.2 Sidewall samples

3.2.1 On each sidewall, procure a 5oz sample from each of five distinct points on the sidewall with distinct points resembling the "W" pattern:



- 3.2.2 Thoroughly blend these five samples in a labeled baggie.
  - 3.2.3 Repeat steps 3.2.1 through 3.2.4 for each remaining sidewall.
  - 3.2.4 From each labeled baggie, procure a 5 oz portion and pour into a baggie labeled "Sidewall Composite". Blend this soil mixture completely.
  - 3.2.5 Obtain proper laboratory sample container for "Sidewall Composite" and continue with subparagraph 5.3 of QP – 01.
- 3.3 Bottom Sample
- 3.3.1 From bottom of excavation, procure a 5oz sample from each of five distinct points with distinct points resembling the "W" pattern as illustrated above.
  - 3.3.2 Thoroughly blend these five samples in a clean baggie.
  - 3.3.3 Obtain proper laboratory sample container for "Bottom Composite" and continue with subparagraph 5.3 of QP – 01.

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### **QUALITY PROCEDURE**

#### **Sampling and Testing Protocol for VOC in Soil**

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#### **1.0 Purpose**

This procedure is to be used to determine the concentrations of Volatile Organic Compounds in soils.

#### **2.0 Scope**

This procedure is to be used as the standard field measurement for soil VOC concentrations. It is not to be used as a substitute for full spectrographic speciation of organic compounds.

#### **3.0 Procedure**

##### **3.1 Sample Collection and Preparation**

3.1.1 Collect at least 500 g. of soil from the sample collection point. Take care to insure that the sample is representative of the general background to include visible concentrations of hydrocarbons and soil types. If necessary, prepare a composite sample of soils obtained at several points in the sample area. Take care to insure that no loose vegetation, rocks or liquids are included in the sample(s).

3.1.2 The soil sample(s) shall be immediately inserted into a one-quart or larger polyethylene freezer bag and sealed. When sealed, the bag should contain a nearly equal space between the soil sample and trapped air. Record the sample name and the time that the sample was collected on the Field Analytical Report Form.

3.1.3 The sealed samples shall be allowed to set for a minimum of five minutes at a temperature of between 10-15 Celsius, (59-77<sup>0</sup> F). The sample temperatures may be adjusted by cooling the sample in ice, or by heating the sample within a generally controlled environment such as the inside of a vehicle. The samples should not be placed directly on heated surfaces or placed in direct heat sources such as lamps or heater vents.

3.1.4 The sealed sample bag should be massaged to break up any clods, and to provide the soil sample with as much exposed surface area as practically possible.

### 3.2 Sampling Procedure

- 3.2.1 The instrument to be used in conducting VOC concentration testing shall be a RAE Systems Photoionization device. (Device will be identified on VOC Field Test Report Form.) Prior to use, the instrument shall be zeroed-out in accordance with the appropriate maintenance and calibration procedure outlined in the instrument operation manual. The PID device will be calibrated each day it's used.
- 3.2.2 Carefully open one end of the collection bag and insert the probe tip into the bag taking care that the probe tip not touch the soil sample or the sidewalls of the bag.
- 3.2.3 Set the instrument to retain the highest result reading value. Record the reading onto the Field Test Report Form.
- 3.2.4 **If the instrument provides a reading exceeding 100 ppm, proceed to QP-7. If the reading is 100 ppm or less, NMOCD BTEX guideline has been met and no further testing for BTEX is necessary. File the Field Test Report Form in the project file.**

### 4.0 Clean-up

After testing, the soil samples shall be returned to the sampling location, and the bags collected for off-site disposal. **IN NO CASE SHALL THE SAME BAG BE USED TWICE. EACH SAMPLE CONTAINER MUST BE DISCARDED AFTER EACH USE.**

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### **Quality Procedure Composite Sampling of Excavation Sidewalls and Bottoms For BTEX**

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#### **1.0 Purpose**

This procedure outlines the methods to be employed when obtaining final composite soil samples for BTEX analysis.

#### **2.0 Scope**

This procedure is to be used when collecting soil samples intended for ultimate transfer to a testing laboratory for BTEX analysis. This procedure is to be used only when the PID field-test results for OVM exceeds 100 ppm.

#### **3.0 Preliminary**

- 3.1 Obtain sterile, clear, 2 oz. glass containers with Teflon lid from a laboratory supply company or the testing laboratory designated to conduct analyses of the soil.

#### **4.0 Chain of Custody**

- 4.1 Prepare a Sample Plan. The plan will list the number, location and designation of each planned sample and the individual tests to be performed on the sample. The sampler will check the list against the available inventory of appropriate sample collection bottles to insure against shortage.
- 4.2 Transfer the data to the Laboratory Chain of Custody Form. Complete all sections of the form except those that relate to the time of delivery of the samples to the laboratory.
- 4.3 Pre-label the sample collection jars. Include all requested information except time of collection. (Use a fine point Sharpie to insure that the ink remains on the label.) Affix the labels to the jars.

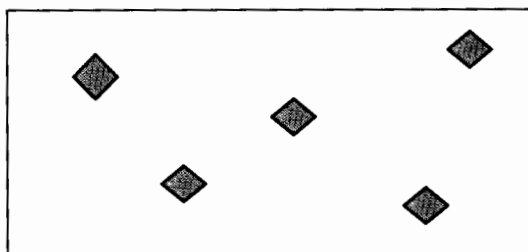
#### **5.0 Sampling Procedure**

- 5.1. Do not touch the soil with your bare hands. Use new nitrile gloves to help minimize any cross-contamination.
- 5.2. If safe and within OSHA regulations, go to the sampling point with the sample container. If not analyzing for ions or metals, use a trowel to

obtain the soil. If the excavation is deeper than 6' BGS, do not enter the pit, but use a backhoe to assist in procurement of the sample. (If a backhoe is used, the backhoe will obtain an amount of soil from each composite point; bring the purchase to the surface staging area where a sample-portion of soil will be extracted from the backhoe purchase. The remainder of the backhoe purchase will be staged on the surface with other staged soils.)

### 5.3.Sidewall Samples

5.3.1.On each sidewall, procure a 2oz sample from each of five distinct points on the sidewall with distinct points resembling the "W" pattern:



5.4.Pack the soil tightly into the container leaving the top slightly domed. Screw the lid down tightly. Enter the time of collection onto the sample collection jar label. Repeat for each sampling point.

5.5.Place the samples directly on ice for transport to the laboratory if required.

5.6.Complete the Chain of Custody form to include the collection times for each sample. Deliver all samples to the laboratory.

## 6.0 Documentation

6.1 The testing laboratory shall provide the following minimum information:

- a. Project and sample name.
- b. Signed copy of the original Chain of Custody Form including the time the sample was received by the lab.
- c. Results of the requested analyses
- d. Test Methods employed
- e. Quality Control methods and results

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### **Procedure for Plugging & Abandonment of Cased Water Monitoring Wells**

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#### **1.0 Purpose**

This procedure outlines the methods to be employed to plug and abandon cased monitoring wells.

#### **2.0 Scope**

This procedure shall be used for developed, cased water monitoring wells located in the State of New Mexico

#### **3.0 Preliminary**

**3.1** No well may be drilled, modified or plugged without NMOCD approval. Additional approvals may be required if the well is situated in a sensitive area, within municipal jurisdictions or on federal or tribal lands.

#### **4.0 Plugging**

**4.1** Each bore will be filled with a 1% - 3% bentonite/concrete slurry to three feet bgs. The remaining three feet will be capped with concrete only.

**4.2** All wellheads will be removed to below ground surface.

#### **5.0 Records**

**5.1** The company plugging the well shall prepare a report on their company letter head listing the site name and describing general well construction including total depth of the well, the diameter of casing, material used to plug the well (e.g. bentonite/cement slurry), and date of the plugging operation.

**5.2** It is recommended but not required that photographs of the final surface restoration be taken and included within the records.

**5.3** Copies of the plugging report shall be submitted to all appropriate agencies and retained by the well operator for a minimum period of ten years.