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**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Katie Jones'; Laura Pena (lpna@riceswd.com); 'lpg@texerra.com'  
**Subject:** Proposed Path Forward Approval - ROC Vacuum F-34 Vent Boot Site

**RE: Project Update for the Rice Operating Company's  
Vacuum F-34 Vent Boot Site (1R425-67)  
Unit Letter F, Section 34, T17S, R35E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Proposed Path Forward Approval**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Project Update for the Vacuum F-34 Vent Boot Site, dated April 8, 2013, and has conducted a review of the proposed corrective actions. The corrective actions indicate 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 actions 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 for groundwater within 180 days.

Please be advised that OCD approval of these corrective actions 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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