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Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2007 9:32 AM

To: 'Kristin Pope'

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Subject: Remediation Plan (1R0426-37) Termination

RE: "Closure Report:"

for the Rice Operating Company's BD SWD N-29 Junction Site

Unit Letter N, Section 29, T21S, R37E, Lea County, New Mexico

Remediation Plan (1R0426-37) Termination

Dear Ms. Pope:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the closure report for the BD SWD N-29 Junction site, dated January 24, 2007, and has conducted a review of the report. The closure report, submitted for the above reference site, indicates that the Rice Operating Company has met the closure requirements. Therefore, the OCD hereby approves the closure report and gives notice that the Remediation Plan (1R0426-37) is terminated.

Please submit a plan to plug the monitoring wells at the above referenced site. The material used to plug the wells must be a cement grout with 1% to 3% bentonite. Please submit to the NMOCD a final plugging report within 60 days of receipt of this letter.

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Please be advised that NMOCD approval of this report 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, NMOCD 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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