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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 03, 2009 5:17 PM  
**To:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Cc:** 'Katie Jones'  
**Subject:** BD F-17 AP 47

Ed,

I would like to give you a status update on further delineation activities of this site. We are currently negotiating with legal council on permission to install up gradient well and perform soil work , as soon as we reach an agreement we will start work immediately. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me.

Hack Conder  
Environmental Manager  
Rice Operating Company  
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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 08, 2009 9:40 AM  
**To:** 'Hack Conder'  
**Cc:** Price, Wayne, EMNRD; Johnson, Larry, EMNRD; 'Reed, Timothy'  
**Subject:** Request for Closure of the Stage 1 & 2 Abatement Plan (AP-47) further delineation

**RE: Request for Closure of the Stage 1 & 2 Abatement Plan (AP-47) further delineation for the Rice Operating Company's BD SWD Jct. Box F-17 Site Unit Letter F, Section 17, T21S, R37E, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Request for Closure of the Stage 1 and 2 Abatement Plan (AP-47) for the BD Jct. F-17 Site, dated June 4, 2008, and has conducted a review of the Plan. The Request, submitted for the above-referenced site, indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has not met the requirements of OCD Part 30 (formerly, Rule 19) for termination. Therefore, the OCD hereby cannot approve the Request for Closure for above-referenced site, dated June 4, 2008, in accordance with 19.15.30 NMAC. The OCD recommends that ROC install an additional groundwater monitoring well upgradient of the Chevron / Texaco Mittie Weatherly Tank Battery #3 at the site to further delineate the release.

Please submit a report with the results of the delineation to the OCD within 90 days for review.

ROC must proceed with the soil work plan as specified in the Request for Closure within 90 days.

ROC must continue to perform groundwater monitoring at the site. However, suspension of BTEX analyses at MW-1, MW-2 and MW-3 is hereby approved\* for this site. (The additional groundwater well must include at least four quarters of BTEX analyses prior to submittal of a suspension request.)

\*Please be advised that OCD approval of this suspension 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.

Edward J. Hansen  
Hydrologist  
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