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Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 4:08 PM
To: 'Jason Henry'
Cc: Price, Wayne, EMNRD; 'Jeffrey P Dann'
Subject: TNM 98-05B (Part of AP-12) - No further groundwater monitoring Approval

**RE: Closure Request Report for the Plain Marketing's
TNM 98-05B Release Site (One of two sites under AP-12)
Unit Letter D of Section 26, T21S, R37E, Lea County, New Mexico
No further groundwater monitoring required**

Dear Mr. Henry:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Plain's report and request to close the above-referenced site (dated, August 8, 2008). The above-referenced report, submitted in partial fulfillment of 19.15.30.19 NMAC (Part 30.19, formally, Rule 19.K), indicates that Plains has met the requirements of 19.15.30.9 NMAC for this site. Therefore, the OCD hereby conditionally approves the Closure Request for the TNM 98-05B Release Site and no further groundwater monitoring is required for this site. (Please keep in mind that the TNM 98-05A Release Site is still active under Abatement Plan, AP-12, and groundwater monitoring must continue at the TNM 98-05A Release Site.)

The material used to plug the five remaining groundwater monitoring wells at the TNM 98-05B Release Site must be a cement grout with 1% to 3% bentonite. Please submit to the OCD a final plugging report within 60 days of receipt of this letter.

Please be advised that OCD 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, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact at 505-476-3489.

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