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Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2009 9:35 AM
To: 'Hack Conder'
Cc: Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Marvin Burrows'; Scott Curtis; 'Katie Lee'
Subject: Investigation & Characterization Plan Amendment Approval (1R428-69)

**RE: Investigation & Characterization Plan Amendment Approval (1R428-69)
for the Rice Operating Company's
Hobbs O-5 Vent Site
Unit Letter O, Section 5, T19S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed the submitted proposed Investigation Characterization Plans Amendment dated May 6, 2009, for the above-referenced site. The OCD hereby conditionally approves the amendment:

Rice Operating Company must install the additional groundwater within 200 feet upgradient of the above-referenced site.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this amendment 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 questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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