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Greetings,

The proposal for remediation of a produced fluid release at the above referenced site, dated May 23, 2011, and received by NMOCD May 26, 2011 (hard copy), is approved with the following conditions and/or stipulations:

- Notify OCD District 2 Office 48 hours prior to commencement of remedial activities.
- Notify OCD District 2 Office 48 hours prior to obtaining samples where the analyses will be submitted to OCD.
- Submit a diagram showing any and all sample points, in relation to the point of release, flow path, well site, etc.
- Horizontal and vertical delineation of contaminants required. Deepest sample obtained shows chloride levels in excess of 7000 mg/kg.
- Prior to closing site, confirmation samples are to be obtained and tested for hydrocarbons (TPH & BTEX).
- Provide origin and method of compaction for clay material to be installed as barrier.
- Notify OCD 48 hours prior to installation of clay barrier.
- Adherence to BLM requirements.
- OCD is to be provided all data, correspondence, and notifications related to this release, as may be provided to any other regulatory authority/agency.
- OCD approval prior to backfill operations.
- Submit a Form C-141 Final Report and closure report, to OCD, upon satisfactory completion of project.
- Remediation is to be completed and closure documentation submitted to OCD not later than July 31, 2011. OCD is to be notified in the event this closure deadline will not be met.

Be advised OCD approval does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that may pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions or concerns, and for notification, contact me.

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