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<u>To:</u>	Martyne Kieling	From	Ken Marsh	
Fax	505-476-3462	Date:	11-18-03	
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November 18, 2003

Martyne Kieling NMOCD 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Fax: 505-476-3462

Navajo Refining, Artesia, New Mexico inadvertently shipped 3 loads of material to CRI which they believe may contain a listed hazardous waste.

CRI has reported this to NMOCD Hobbs (message left on Paul Scheely voice mail, no return call has been received, CRI left our phone number on NMOCD emergency pager, no return call, phone call to Martyne Kieling, NMOCD, Santa Fe. CRI reported to NMED Roger Houston, Santa Fe. Phone log attached.

Attached please find work plan for removal of the material. CRI will notify NMOCD by phone for time and date of starting of work plan (possible 11-19-03).

CRI requests a NMOCD representative be present.

Please call if I may provide additional information.

Please advise if further reporting is required.

Sincerely,

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Ken Marsh

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HAZARDOUS WASTE REMOVAL WORKPLAN NOVEMBER 18, 2003

On November 17, 2003, Navajo Refining Company (Navajo) discovered that 3 roll-off boxes of mixed Hazardous waste (KO49-Slop Oil Solids, KO50-Heat Exchanger Solids, KO51-API Solids, FO37-Primary Refinery Sludge and FO38-Secondary Refinery Sludge) and non-hazardous waste were inadvertently shipped to the Controlled Recovery, Inc. (CRI) landfill in Lea County. CRI's landfill is an OCD permitted facility for nonhazardous waste. It should be noted that Navajo uses a dedicated cell at this landfill for our non-hazardous waste that only Navajo waste is allowed to enter. Upon learning of this situation, Darrell Moore and Charlie Plymale of Navajo made a trip to CRI's facility to assess the situation and produce a plan of action to remove this waste. The following is a work plan to accomplish this.

The 3 roll-off bins contained approximately 30 tons of waste combined and were dumped on the cast end of Navajo's cell. Navajo will place empty roll-off bins along this side of the cell and use a front end loader to remove the hazardous waste plus any other waste that has come in contact with the hazardous waste. It is estimated from visual inspection that this will require the removal of 50-80 tons of material including the original waste. These roll-off bins will be tagged with all appropriate hazardous waste labeling

Once the material has been removed, three TCLP samples will be collected, two along the floor of the cell beneath where the hazardous waste was dumped and one in the east sidewall. This sidewall is the wall the waste is contacting presently. This sampling program should give a high level of confidence that the hazardous waste and all its constituents have been removed. If the sampling detects additional hazardous waste, more material will be removed in the area of the detection. Another TCLP sample will be collected. This procedure will be repeated until a non-hazardous sample is obtained.

The removed material will then be shipped to a permitted hazard waste disposal facility. Samples of the waste have already been collected to allow us to profile this waste into one of our approved hazardous waste disposal facilities. Once we have determined where the waste will be shipped, it will be manifested by Navajo personnel and shipped on hazardous waste permitted trucks to the appropriate facility. Copies of all related manifests will be mailed to the appropriate state agencies.

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NOVEMBER 17, 2003 PHONE LOG

- 10:20 A.M. CRI (Ken Marsh) received call from Navajo (Darrell Moore).
- 10:36 A.M. CRI (Ken) left message for Martyne Kieling.
- 10:39 A.M. CRI (Ken) left message for Paul Scheely.
- 10:40 A.M. CRI (Ken) left phone number on OCD (Hobbs) emergency pager.
- 11:52 A.M. Martyne returned CRI call.
- 2:10 P.M. CRI left message for Martyne.
- 2:50 P.M. Martyne returned CRI call.
- 12:45 P.M. CRI (David Parsons, Ken Marsh) met with Navajo (Darrell Moore, Charlie Plymale) at CRI site to inspect site and warning tape barriers installed.

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CRI CONTROLLED RECOVERY INC.

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November 11, 2003

Martyne Kieling State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

CRI

Dear Ms. Kieling,

We have been contacted by Commercial Exchange to accept *Tailings* from their centrifuge operations. We would like clarification on exempt status of this waste stream as we believe what is currently on location came from the adjacent refinery.

Thank you, farrow

David Parsons.

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AUG 2 5 2003 Environmental Bureau Oil Conservation Division

August 20, 2003

Martyne Kieling NMOCD 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Controlled Recovery, Inc. facility Lea County, New Mexico S/2 N/2 and N/2 S/2 Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East.

Dear Ms Keiling,

CRI request approval to mix and stabilize liquid waste with soils to be placed in the solids pits. The mixing will take place on a site which is for future solid disposal. Upon excavation of the site any contaminated surface soil will be placed in the solid pit. All stabilized material will pass the paint filter test.

This is the process proposed by Randy Bayliss in his comments on closure costs for CRI.

Please call if I may provide additional information.

Sincerely_

Ken Marsh

Controlled Recovery Inc. NM-01-0006 OCD drive-through June 12, 2003



Photo 1. West entrance sign



Photo 2. Produced water tank area 14 west skim tank.



Photo 3. Produced water tank area 14 - east skim tank.



Photo 4. Pit 15 - north of produced water off-loading area.



Photo 5. Pit 15 - north of produced water off-loading area



Photo 6. Pit -15 north of produced water offloading area.

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Photo 7. Area 14 Produced water receiving on south side of evaporation pond-13.



Photo 8.



Photo 9. Produced water receiving area-14.



Photo 10. Produced water receiving area-14 windsock.



Photo 11. Produced water pond 13B and 13C.



Photo 12. Produced water evaporation pit 13C and Produced water receiving area-17.



Photo 13. Truck washout area-16 south end.



Photo 14. Truck washout area-16 north end



Photo 15. Solids drying pit area 1,2, and 3. Looking east



Photo 16. Solids Drying pits 4 and 5. Looking north



Photo 17. Solids drying pits 5 and 6. Looking south



Photo 18. Produced water receiving area-17 on the south side of the evaporation pond 13.

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Photo 19. Solids evaporation pit-7, 8, and 9. Looking west



Photo 20. Solids evaporation Pit –7 and Pit 9 looking west. Fluids appear to be seeping from the pits.



Photo 22. Solids evaporation pit 7. Looking east



Photo 23. Solids evaporation Pit-10 and Pit-11. looking east



Photo 24. Solids evaporation Pit-12. Looking east.



Photo 25. Evaporation Pond 12 and buffalo wallow with pecan trees.



Photo 26. Buffalo wallow with Pecan Trees.



Photo 27. Treating plant



Photo 28. Treating Plant receiving area has wind sock.



Photo 29. Solids pit.



Photo 30. Solids Pit.



Photo 31. Navajo solids pit-50. Looking east



Photo 32. Navajo solids pit-50 east end.



Photo 33. Navajo solids Pit-50 east end.



Photo 34. Navajo solids Pit-50.



Photo 35. Solids Pit-50.



Photo 36. Solids Pit-50.



Photo 37. Solids Pit-50



Photo 38. East entrance sign.

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June 3, 2003

CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Martyne J. Kieling Environmental Geologist Oil Conservation Division -1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: Controlled Recovery Inc. Hobbs, New Mexico

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We are very familiar with this site, since we had bid on the disposal of this material through another consultant who was unsuccessful in being awarded the bid. This is a gasoline station cleanup project through the UST Bureau of the NMED, Roswell, New Mexico. My contact there is Renee Romero (505-524-6046). I have also called Renee to inform her of this fact.

We feel CRI is in violation of their permit and should be held accountable.

If you have any questions, please call me at 713-968-6511. Thanks for your help.

Very truly yours,

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Saralyn Hall, P. E. Environmental Manager

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION Date 6 --03 Time 3:00 Telephone Personal **Originating Party** Other Parties Martyn Kielin Renoe Romano 505 - 624 -61 PSTB CORE Roswell B1 NMED 7 is Doing the Hauling ichi Subject COM . CO #1 Truck Low way From Breme Sine 401 South Canal is aoma Carlsbad LRI For Hobbs Phina Land Formin Dispose truc one Discussion Landlan Renee - beeking 14 CDM LRI 1245k Mana Nextweek Cleckin Know Iwill Jal' and Her ver Sch v ch In vestigation ave Conclusions or Agreements Distribution Signed

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DATE: 06/03/03

To:	Martyne Kieling	Fax:
Company:	Oil Conservation Division	Phone:

From: Saralyn Hall 713-968-6511 713-968-6513 (fax)

RE: PROTEST - CONTROLLED RECOVERY INC.

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Pugmills are used to blend together one or more dry ingredients and/or liquid ingredients into a homogenous mixture. They were originally developed to mix an aggregate with a liquid bituminous material for a cold mix asphalt. Today they are used for a number of applications, including cold mix asphalt, cement treated base, soil remediation, mixing soil bentonite, etc.

The Kolberg design is a continuous mix pugmill. It includes two shafts, with paddles on each shaft, arranged in a SPIRAL pattern. The shafts are driven by one drive with a set of timing gears between the shafts.

The paddles, arranged in a spiral overlap pattern, enhance the quality of the mix. Kolberg pugmills are unique in that the paddles can be adjusted in/out and 'rotated' at 90 degree increments. This allows the operator to 'dial in' the amount of retention time (one row of paddles at a time) to create the perfect homogenous mix.

Max. feed size to the pugmill is 2". The max. clearance between the Kolberg Series 50 Pugmills can produce up to 650 tph, dependent upon material characteristics, feed rate, retention time in the mixing chamber and the quality of mix required.

Your authorized dealer can discuss specific application and requirement needs.

The Series 50 Pugmill offers: heavy-duty, quality construction; massive synchronized pugmill shafts mounted in an overlapped spiral curve for maximum mixing action; an optional material "dam gate" to enhance mix quality; an enclosed top to prevent material spillage, control dust and provide operator safety, as well as a hinged top to allow easy service access.

Kolberg pugmills also have a 'drop out' bottom for ease of service and routine maintenance.

Kolberg-Pioneer also offers support equipment including: * bulk material silos

5/23/2003



KEY ENERGY SERVICES, INC. 720 S. TEXACO ROAD HOBBS, N.M. 88240 PHONE: 505-393-3180 FAX: 505-391-9895

FEBRUARY 11, 2003 CONTROLLED RECOVERY, INC. HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

ATTN: KEN MARSH

RE: HALFWAY DISPOSAL SITE S/2 N/2 OF SEC 27 T-20S R-32E LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CLOSURE PLANS:

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WE WISH TO SUBMIT OUR BID TO FURNISH EQUIPMENT, LABOR AND MATERIALS TO PERFORM WORK AS FOLLOWS ON SUBJECT LOCATION:

TASK 6: MOVE SUMP MATERIAL, DRILLING MUD, DRILL CUTTINGS, WORK OVER SOLIDS, AND OTHER NON-HAZARDOUS OILFIELD WASTES FROM PITS 2A, B, C, 4, 5, AND 6 TO PIT 3D. SCRAPE RESIDUE FROM FROM PITS 3A, 3B, AND 3C AND HAUL TO PIT 3D. ALL LIQUIDS OR VISCOUS MATERIALS WILL BE MIXED WITH DRY SOLIDS BEFORE HAULING. PITS WILL THEN BE PUSHED IN AND COVERED WITH 12 " CALICHE AND COURSE NATIVE MATERIAL AND CONTOURED TO PREVENT WIND AND WATER EROSION.

BID PRICE (TAX EXCLUDED) \$ 10, 231.00

TASK 7: MOVE LINER AND MATERIAL FROM PIT 16 TO PIT 3D, APPROX. 4036 CUBIC YARDS OF SEDIMENT AND PARIFIN.

BID PRICE (TAX EXCLUDED \$ 4, 122.80

TASK 8: MOVE LINER AND MATERIALS FROM PITS 1A AND 1B TO PIT 3D.

BID PRICE (TAX EXCLUDED) \$ 4,655.00

TASK 9: MOVE MATERIAL FROM PITS 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, AND 12 CONTAINING SUMP MATERIAL, DRILLING MUD, DRILL CUTTINGS, WORK OVER SOLIDS, AND OTHER NON-HAZARDOUS OILFIELD WASTES TO PIT 3D. ALL LIQUIDS AND VISCOUS MATERIAL WILL BE MIXED WITH DRY SOLIDS BEFORE HAULING.

BID PRICE (TAX INCLUDED)

\$ 22,756.00

TASK 10: COVER PIT 3D WITH 12" CALICHE AND NATIVE MATERIALS. CONTOUR AREA TO PREVENT WIND AND WATER EROSION.

BID PRICE (TAX EXCLUDED) \$ 2,872.55

TASK 11: MOVE MATERIALS, LINER, AND NET FROM PIT 13 TO AREA 15. CAP SOLIDS AREA 15 WITH 12" CALICHE AND NATIVE MATERIAL. CONTOUR AREA TO PREVENT WIND AND WATER EROSION.

BID PRICE	(EXCLUDING TAX)	\$ 21, 182.65
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BID PRICE FOR ALL TASKS	\$ 65, 820.00
TAX	4, 031.48
TOTAL	\$ 69, 851.48

SINCERELY,

BILL DYER MANAGER KEY ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

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THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BID ON THE ABOVE PROJECT

CRI will close pit #16 (lined storage pit) by October, 2004.

CRI will close storage pond #13 (lined storage pond) by October, 2004.

CRI will explore the introduction of mechanical stabilization of liquids which will reduce if not eliminate the settling and drying ponds now in use. This will further reduce the closure cost.

CRI will provide financial assurance of \$50,000.00 by April 15, 2003.







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CLOSURE

PLAN

CRI CONTROLLED RECOVERY INC.

P.O. BOX 388, HOBBS, NM 88241 (505) 393-1079

September 1, 2000

Oil Conservation Division Santa Fe, NM

Re: Controlled Recovery, Inc. S/2, N/2 and the N/2, S/2 Section 27, Township 20 S, Range 32 E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico

Closure Plan

This plan is submitted for compliance with OCD Rule 711 and Order R9166 to close the facility to protect public health and the environment.

- Task 1)Lock gates, post closed, no trespassing signs. No new material
will be acceptable.
- Task 2) Drain water from produced water receiving tanks, pits 1a and 1b (lined skim pits) to 3a. Remove residue from 3-750 bbl. tanks to 2a and 2b for drying.
- Task 3)Remove oil from treating plant to purchaser, drain all lines,
remove untreated product to Pit 13.
- Task 4) Allow fluids to evaporate and dry.
- Task 5) Return unused boiler fuel to supplier.

- Task 6) Push pits 2 a, b, c, 4, 5, 6, which have contained sump material, drilling mud, drilling cuttings, work over solids, and other nonhazardous oilfield wastes into 3d. Scrape residue from 3a, 3b, and 3c, which have contained produced water and wash water, and move to 3d. Any liquids or viscous material will be mixed with dry solids. Soil borings will be conducted in pits 3a, 3b, and 3c to determine vertical extent of hydrocarbons.
- Task 7) Move liner and material from 1a and 1b to 3d.
- Task 8) Move liner and materials from 16, which has contained bottom sediment with paraffin, to 3d.
- Task 9) Move 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, which have contained sump material, drilling mud, drilling cuttings, work over solids, and other non-hazardous oilfield wastes, to 3d. Any liquids or viscous material will be mixed with dry solids.
- Task 10) Cover 3d with 12" of caliche and coarse native material, contoured to prevent wind and water erosion.
- Task 11) Move material, liner, and nets from 13, which has contained bottom sediment and water, to solids area. Any remaining liquids or viscous material will be mixed with dry solids.
 Cap solids area with 12" caliche and coarse native material. Contoured to prevent wind and water erosion.
- Task 12) Conduct NORM survey.

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- Task 13) Record with Lea County clerk a notice that the site has been used as an oilfield disposal and treatment facility.
- Task 14)OCD to inspect and release financial assurance obligationwithin 30 days of inspection.
| #1 | SWD |
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| #2 | Jet Pit |
| #3 | Solids Pit |
| #4, 5, | 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 Evaporation areas |
| #13 | Storage Pond above ground |
| #14 | Treating Plant (See attachement) |
| #15 | Solids Pit |
| #16 | Storage |
| #17 | Storage |
| #18 | Security |
| #19 | Laboratory & Office |
| #20 | Boiler |
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Safety & Environmental Solutions, Inc.

August 31, 2000

Mr. Ken Marsh Controlled Recovery Inc. P.O. Box 388 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241

Re: Proposed Revised Closure Plan for CRI Facility at Halfway, NM

At your request, I have reviewed the proposed revised closure plan for your facility located in Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, NMPM Lea County, N.M. The review was conducted to determine whether the plan will comply with New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) General Rule 711, specifically Section B (1) (i) which requires a closure plan to close the facility to protect public health and the environment.

Introduction

Before commenting on the specifics of the proposed closure plan for this facility, I want to comment on the purpose of a closure plan. Your facility receives material for treatment and disposal, which may cause damage to health and the environment if not handled and disposed of properly. To ensure that the material does not cause such harm, the OCD has developed a permitting system for disposal. At the conclusion of operations, a closure plan is required to minimize or eliminate releases to the environment of substances, which may have the potential to cause harm to public health and the environment.

Several exposure pathways exist for releases to the environment. These include air, soil, groundwater and surface water. If these pathways are protected from contamination, potential receptors (humans, sensitive habitats, etc.) are not exposed to harmful constituents or elevated levels of such constituents. Following conclusion of operations, the site will not have on-site personnel to monitor any releases so the actions taken via a closure plan will necessarily have to provide the needed protection.

Impact of Site Location on Closure Needs

The location of the permitted facility already minimizes exposure to humans and sensitive receptors, and a properly designed and implemented closure plan will complete such protection.

The facility is located at a site which does not have underlying groundwater of either sufficient quantity or quality to provide water for domestic, industrial, or stock use. This was determined by technical data entered into evidence during the OCD hearing granting the original permit for the facility (Order R-9166, April 27, 1990). Indeed, the nearest body of water, Laguna Toston immediately north of the facility, is a salt-water lake used for brine disposal by a potash mine. Closure needs include evaporation of water from existing disposal ponds and removal of hydrocarbon residue. High summer temperatures, low relative humidity, and an annual rainfall of approximately 9 inches enhance evaporation at the site. The low rainfall, when coupled with the actions to be performed during closure, will effectively prevent leaching and migration of any remaining hydrocarbon material.

Mr. Ken Marsh August 31, 2000





The surrounding area is used for ranching and no residences (with the exception of the onsite watchman) or subdivisions are located within several miles of the site. Without any potable groundwater existing in the vicinity of the site, it is very unlikely that any current or future land development will occur. Therefore, exposure to humans, if any, would occur through the occasional visit by a rancher, or by a passerby in a vehicle on the adjacent highway. Closure needs include removal of fluids from the existing pits, and capping of remaining hydrocarbon solids to prevent wind and water erosion with subsequent exposure of the underlying hydrocarbons and airborne migration of the material.

Comments on Plan Specifics

- 1. The plan should provide an introduction with a general statement of purpose stating what is to be accomplished by the plan, i.e. protection of human health and the environment.
- 2. The plan should reference the general category of material in the pits, e.g. produced water in pits 3a, 3b; paraffin in pits 16a, 16b; drying pits 2a, 2b containing ???, etc.
- 3. To prevent material leaching, the deeper excavated pits should be scraped to remove hydrocarbon residue.
- 4. The vertical extent of remaining hydrocarbons (if any) beneath the excavated pits should be determined to provide legal documentation on the volume and concentration of the hydrocarbon material remaining on site. Performing several soil borings at the time of closure can provide this data. The information will provide regulators and interested members of the public with knowledge regarding the volume and type of material at the site and will deter (hopefully) future investigations and actions by other regulatory agencies.
- 5. The thickness of native material used as a cap should be sufficient to prevent wind and water erosion. 12 inches may be sufficient if caliche or coarse material is used, but a greater thickness may be necessary if finer-grained material is emplaced or if natural vegetation is to be grown.

Conclusions

With the changes suggested above, the proposed closure plan is expected to provide protection for human health and the environment at the subject site. Movement of hydrocarbon material to air, soil, groundwater or surface water by the usual forces of nature will be prevented by the actions to be taken at the time of closure. However, man-caused intrusions are possible in the future and institutional actions may wish to be considered to minimize such incidents. These could include attaching a covenant to the land deed or providing some other method of notification to future prospective buyers of the property.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at address and phone number above.

Sincerely,

David G. Boyer, P.G. Hydrogeologist

CONTROLLED RECOVERY INC.

P.O. BOX 388, HOBBS, NM 88241 (505) 393-1079

September 1, 2000

Mr. David Boyer P.O. Box 1613 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Dear Mr. Boyer:

CRI has prepared a revised closure plan for our site in Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, NMPM Lea County, N.M. to comply with OCD Rule 711.

Attached please find:

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Sincerely,

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Ken Marsh



P.O. Box 1613 703 E. Clinton Suite 103 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240 505/397-0510 Fax 505/393-4388 www.sesi-nm.com

Safety & Environmental Solutions, Inc.

September 6, 2000

Mr. Ken Marsh Controlled Recovery Inc. P.O. Box 388 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241

Re: Proposed Closure Plan for CRI Facility at Halfway, NM

At your request, I have reviewed the proposed revised closure plan for your facility located in Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, NMPM Lea County, N.M. The review was conducted to determine whether the plan will comply with New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) General Rule 711, specifically Section B (1) (i) which requires a closure plan to close the facility to protect public health and the environment.

The location of the permitted facility already minimizes exposure to humans and sensitive receptors, and a properly designed and implemented closure plan completes such protection. The facility is located at a site which does not have underlying groundwater of either sufficient quantity or quality to provide water for domestic, industrial, or stock use. This was determined by technical data entered into evidence during the OCD hearing granting the original permit for the facility (Order R-9166, April 27, 1990). Indeed, the nearest body of water, Laguna Toston immediately north of the facility, is a salt-water lake used for brine disposal by a potash mine. Closure needs include evaporation of water from existing disposal ponds and removal of hydrocarbon residue. High summer temperatures, low relative humidity, and an annual rainfall of approximately 9 inches enhance evaporation at the site. The low rainfall, when coupled with the actions to be performed during closure, will effectively prevent leaching and migration of any remaining hydrocarbon material.

The surrounding area is used for ranching and no residences (with the exception of the onsite watchman) or subdivisions are located within several miles of the site. Without any potable groundwater existing in the vicinity of the site, it is unlikely that any current or future land development will occur. Therefore, future exposure, if any, to humans would occur through the occasional visit by a rancher, or by a passerby in a vehicle on the adjacent highway. Closure needs to protect humans and sensitive receptors include removal of fluids from the existing pits, and capping of remaining hydrocarbon solids to prevent wind and water erosion with subsequent exposure of the underlying hydrocarbons and airborne migration of the material.

Mr. Ken Marsh September 6, 2000





The proposed closure plan satisfies the criteria discussed in the above paragraphs. Therefore, the proposed closure plan is expected to provide protection for human health and the environment at the subject site. Movement of hydrocarbon material to air, soil, groundwater or surface water by the usual forces of nature will be prevented by the actions to be taken at the time of closure. Additionally, notice of past use as an oilfield treatment and disposal facility will be made to the Lea County Clerk where it will be part of the public record.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at address and phone number above.

Sincerely,

David G. Boyer, P.G. Hydrogeologist

QUALIFICATIONS AND CREDENTIALS OF David G. Boyer, P.G.

Qualifications Summary

David G. Boyer is a Professional Geologist specializing in Hydrology and Water Resources with more than 25 years experience working in New Mexico and Arizona.

Mr. Boyer has enjoyed a successful career as a Hydrogeologist, both in the public and private sectors. Mr. Boyer served as a research and teaching assistant and Hydrologist for the University of Arizona for eight years. After completion of his Master's Degree in 1978, Mr. Boyer joined the New Mexico Environment Department as a Water Resources Specialist in Hydrogeology. Mr. Boyer founded the Environmental Bureau of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in 1984 and served as Bureau Chief until 1991. Mr. Boyer returned to the private sector in 1991 and has held senior positions with K.W. Brown Environmental Services, RE/SPEC Inc., Los Alamos Technical Associates, Inc., and Covenant Technical Associates, Inc.

Mr. Boyer broadens SESI's areas of expertise to include: Hydrological Investigation and Characterization, Groundwater Quality Monitoring and Evaluation, Permitting and Compliance Actions for State and Federal Groundwater Protection Programs, Regulatory Development, Analysis, and Negotiation, and Expert Witness and Litigation Support in the area of Groundwater and Water Resources.

Education

M.S. in Hydrology and Water Resources (Groundwater), University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ. (1978)B.S. in Hydrology and Water Resources, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ. (1965)

Registrations and Affiliations

American Institute of Hydrology (Certification # 85-535) Association of Groundwater Scientists and Engineers (CGWP #221) Registered Professional Geologist (Wyoming, PG-2390) Gas Research Institute, Research Coordination Council: Chairman, Environment & Safety Panel (1994 -99) Association of Groundwater Scientists and Engineers New Mexico Oil & Gas Association (1991-97) Permian Basin Petroleum Association (1991-96) Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Association (1991-96) Member, New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (1986-91)



P.O. BOX 388, HOBBS, NM 88241 (505) 393-1079

September 1, 2000

Mr. James R. Woods P.O. Box 1417 Socorro, New Mexico 87801

Dear Mr. Woods:

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- 2) Site map
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The average annual rainfall is 9 inches.

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Ken Marsh



NESCO - NEW MEXICO, INC. ECOLO SOUTHWEST LLC

P.O. Box 1417 Socorro, New Mexico 87801 (505) 835-0377 • 835-0573

Sept 8, 2000

Mr. Ken Marsh Controlled Recovery Inc. Box 388 Hobbs. New Mexico 88241

Dear Mr. Marsh,

This letter is in response to your letter of September 1, 2000 where you request that I review your Closure Plan for CRI's oil treating plant located in S/2 and the N/2, S/2 Section 27, Township 20 S, Range 32 E, Lea County. New Mexico.

After reviewing the report by James I. Wright and visiting CRI's Plant Site, I have gleaned the following conclusions.

A) The Triassic and Permian Red Beds, that underlie the shallow Quaternary alluvium, consist predominately of clays and siltstones and would stop any percolation of fluids through these red beds.

B) The ground water movement through alluvium in the area of CRI's Plant is to the northwest towards the playa lake Laguna Toston.

C) Laguna Toston has a surface area of 160 acres and has been used as a disposal pond by a potash company.

D) It has been proven by bailing tests performed on test wells, that the alluvium has very low permeability.

E) Ms. Rozanne Johnson, Bacteriologist, reports that the water analyzed from the alluvium wells was unfit for human or animal consumption. The Plant site does not have underlying ground water of sufficient quantity or quality to provide water for local usage by livestock or humans.

F) The location of the CRI Plant site "speaks for itself" as to exposure to humans and wildlife.

G) Due to the lake of potable drinking water, it is very unlikely to see any future subdivisions for this area.

H) Any seepage from CRI's site will infiltrate the alluvium into the red bed subsurface and then migrate towards Laguna Toston.

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I) Prior to initiations operations the site was inspected by a representative of the OCD to determine that the plant had proper fences, gate and cattleguards, dikes and berms needed to assure safe plant operation.

J) In granting the CRI application, the OCD found that the plant abould not endanger fresh water, and would prevent waste by allowing the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil.

In my opinion, CRI's "Closure Plan" fulfills all of the requirements of OCD Rule and order R9166 to protect public health and the environment.

Windo Temes R. Woods Geological Engineer



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RESUME

JAMES R. WOODS P.O. BOX 1417 SOCORRO, NEW MEXICO 87801

PERSONAL STATISTICS:

Bom: San Angelo, Texas 12-10-31 Health: Excellent Married: Judy Nalda Woods Children: Three boys, one step daughter, one step son Military: US Army 1951 to 1955 Born and raised on a sheep and cattle ranch in San Angelo, Texas

EDUCATION: One year at New Mexico Institute of Mining & Tech. Four years at the University of New Mexico-B.S. Geological Engineering

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1986 to present: Geo-Hydrological reports, Environmental Assessments Phase I & II. Treating contaminated soil and water. Tracing of hydrocarbon plumes. Design and installation of cathodic protection systems. Own and operate ranch in Socorro County New Mexico.

1980 to 1986: Engineering design and operation of Red Mountain Oilfield Waterflood in Mckinley County New Mexico. Own and operate a sheep and cattle ranch in Lincoln County New Mexico.

1980 to 1983: Geological consulting in New Mexico and Utah. Operation of a cattle ranch in Catron County New Mexico.

1967 to 1983; Started and developed Woods Oil & Propane, Inc., a petroleum marketing company, that employed 65 people. I served as general Manager. Owned and operated a cattle ranch in Catron County New Mexico.

1962 to 1967: Worked for The Superior Oil Company and Sinclair Oil Company doing geological field work and mapping in New Mexico and Utah.

1956 to 1962: Azended college and helped my father work his cattle ranch in Catron and Valencia Counties New Mexico.





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CONTROLLED RECOVERY INC.

P.O. BOX 388, HOBBS, NM 88241 (505) 393-1079

September 1, 2000

Mark Turnbough, PhD 213 South Camino Del Pueblo Bernalillo, New Mexico 87004

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Sincerely,

Ken Marsh

MARK TURNBOUGH Ph.D. ENVIROMENTAL COMPLIANCE 213 S. CAMINO DEL PUEBLO BERNALILLO, NEW MEXICO 87004 505-867-6990 FAX 505-867-6991

September 11, 2000

Mr. Ken Marsh Controlled Recovery, Inc. P.O. Box 388 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241

Re: CRI Closure Plan

At your request, I have reviewed the proposed closure plan for the CRI Facility located in Section 27 township 20 south, range 32 east, NMPM (Lea County) New Mexico in order to provide an opinion on compliance with the requirements of OCD Rule 711 and OCD order No. R9166.

In the process of evaluating the CRI closure plan I reviewed the following documents:

- 1) CRI site map
- 2) OCD Rule 711
- 3) OCD Order No. R 9166
- 4) Section 70-2-12 NMSA 197 (Oil and Gas Act)
- 5) Climate Data for the region of interest
- 6) Geohydrology Data used to support the original CRI permit application to OCD

In addition I have inspected the CRI Facility and surrounding area on four separate site visits.

The purpose of this evaluation is to make a determination of whether the proposed closure plan contains measures that are sufficient to protect the public health and the environment pursuant to Rule 711.

Mark Turnbough, PhD

Land Use Assessment

Water Resource Management / Permitting / Planning / Regulatory Compliance

Mr. Turnbough has managed and provided work product on several significant multidisciplinary site selection, characterization, environmental assessment and permitting tasks and projects. Those projects range from large - scale water resource development and management programs to the permitting and licensing of critical environmental facilities, e.g. nuclear power plants (HL&P South Texas Project and Texas Utilities Comanche Peak), major transmission line rights of way (ROW), hazardous/infectious waste treatment systems, waste disposal facilities and experimental energy storage systems at White Sands Missile Range.

In 1987 he managed the third party environmental assessment that was used by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to allow the re-assignment of agricultural water rights in the Rio Grande Valley of El Paso County to municipal and industrial uses. The model he developed for making water resource re-allocation decisions in El Paso County (USBR Rio Grande Project) was subsequently utilized to provide a justification for converting agricultural water diversions from the Lower Rio Grande to municipal use in Starr, Willacy, Cameron and Hidalgo Counties. The value of the approach is that it eliminated the need for lengthy and expensive Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) to re-distribute water appropriations within existing water projects. Ultimately, Mr. Turnbough was asked to describe the approach to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate (May 10, 1994).

During the same general time frame (1986 to 1994) he prepared the environmental assessments and environmental information documents required for the opening of the Santa Teresa International Border Crossing (New Mexico / Mexico). Concurrently, he worked with co-owners, Dr. Tim Louis and Mr. Charlie Crowder, to master plan the original Santa Teresa industrial and residential complex (86,000 acres). That process included a preliminary assessment of the nature and extent of the water resources/rights associated with the original project.

On behalf of El Paso and Hudspeth Counties, from 1988 to 1991 he recruited and managed the technical team that evaluated the proposed Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Disposal site at Ft Hancock, Texas. The results of that evaluation were used in District Court to prevent the state of Texas from designating an unsuitable site.

In 1997 and 1998 Mr. Turnbough provided consulting expertise to Phillips Petroleum Company in litigation regarding a pipeline leak near Borger, Texas. Phillips was able to negotiate a favorable settlement. Also in 1997 and 1998, he provided expertise to the Richey Oil Company in opposition to a 27,000 acre sludge project adjacent to the historic Eagle Mountain Ranch in Hudspeth County, Texas. The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission withdrew its prior approval of the project.

From 1992 through 1999 Mr. Turnbough managed the permitting and re-permitting of the controversial Camino Real Landfill in Sunland Park (the largest facility of its kind in New Mexico). Under Mr. Turnbough's direction, Camino Real ultimately received the Solid Waste Association of North-America (SWANA) Landfill Excellence Award for the best landfill in North America (1997).

From 1994 through 1999, Mr. Turnbough also managed the site selection, characterization, design, permitting, construction and regulatory compliance for three additional regional landfills in New Mexico; Sand Point (Carlsbad), Tri-Sect (Valencia County) and Lea County Regional Landfill. In the process of permitting the Lea County facility, Mr. Turnbough was able to secure a ground water monitoring exemption based on the geologic qualities of the site selected for Lea County. Since 1991, Mr. Turnbough has coordinated the permitting of over half of the total solid waste disposal capacity in the state of New Mexico.

Currently, Mr. Turnbough is a regulatory and environmental consultant to the 16,000 acre Waste Control Specialists facility in Andrews County, Texas. It is the first hazardous (RCRA) / toxic (TSCA) and radioactive waste management facility of its kind in the United States (permitted under post LDR regulations). It was permitted in just under 18 months. He continues to serve as the lead consultant for Camino Real in the development of Title V and NSPS Air Quality permits for the parent company, Waste Connections, Inc. He is also a consultant For Chandler and Associates in the assessment of a large and complex set of oilfield contamination cases in Johnson and Lawrence Counties, Kentucky. Mr. Turnbough was recently retained by the law firm of Kemp-Smith as a water development consultant for projects in the El Paso, Texas region. Mr. Turnbough also has recently provided consulting services to Morrison-Knudsen, Inc. (M-K has changed its name to the Washington Group) in the development of proposal documents to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for the continued operation of the DOE's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) [transuranic disposal facility] in Eddy County, New Mexico. He is, in addition, providing consulting expertise to Controlled Recovery, Inc. (CRI) on oilfield waste containment in the Permian Basin.

Mr. Turnbough was appointed on May 1, 2000 to serve on the New Mexico Environment Department's new Radioactive Materials Advisory Committee which has been tasked to write new radioactive materials license, inspection and administrative fee regulations. Mr. Turnbough participated in the writing of the New Mexico Solid Waste Management Regulations (EPA Sub-title D) and the New Mexico Recycling Rules. During the writing of the Sub-title D regulations Mr. Turnbough provided a direct interface with EPA Region 6 to facilitate changes required for New Mexico to achieve primacy over the program. In addition, he has provided NMED with detailed impact assessments of its proposed rules.

Moreover, he has coordinated the development and passage of several economic development packages in the New Mexico Legislature. In 1998, for example, he coordinated the passage of a \$500,000,000.00 incentive package to help recruit uranium enrichment industries to Lea County, New Mexico.

task Essentially, Mr. Turnbouch provides definition/management and regulatory/political interface for clients whose projects require multi-disciplinary expertise. The approach is a cost effective alternative to hiring engineering firms to manage activities that typically range well beyond the engineering function. It involves using the appropriate legal and regulatory framework to structure the client's project. That structure includes definition of expertise necessary to comply with state and federal rules. The task definition achieved in this approach tends to reduce scopes of work for contractors / firms to only those areas in which they have demonstrated expertise. Consequently, the client does not end up paying A&E firms to "learn" how to successfully complete the project.

RESUMÉ

MARK W. TURNBOUGH, PhD

FIELDS OF EXPERIENCE:

General Background: Includes multi-disciplinary training and experience in land use planning, environmental policy, technology assessment, impact analysis, causal modeling, statistical research, socioeconomics/demography.

Consulting Experience: Primary areas of activity include regulatory permitting/compliance monitoring, environmental impact assessment, site suitability analysis, site selection, site characterization, analysis of land uses, statistical research and computer applications: Geographic Information Systems and Predictive Models.

Synopsis of Selected Current and Recent Consulting Activity

(For specific dates and locations see Page 5, EXPERIENCE section).

As environmental consultant to CRI, Inc. provides regulatory expertise in opposition to a proposal by the state of New Mexico to co-mingle oilfield wastes with solid waste (sub-title D) in disposal cells permitted for sub-title D wastes (2000-present).

As environmental consultant to Lea County, New Mexico provided interface with U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in the preliminary development a risk based compensation plan linked to the operation of the DOE Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) (1999-2000).

As environmental consultant to Raymond G. Sanchez and Robert Desiderio, attorneys at law, provides project management and coordination for site assessments on Maloof properties in New Mexico (2000-present).

As environmental consultant to the El Paso, Texas based law firm of Kemp-Smith, provides expertise for the selection and development of water resources for use by the City of El Paso (2000-present).

As an environmental / systems consultant to Morrison-Knudsen, Inc., provides regulatory and project development guidance on DOE contracts at Los Alamos National Laboratory and the WIPP site (both located in New Mexico) (2000- present).

As environmental consultant to Chandler and Associates, provides expertise on the assessment of a large and complex oilfield contamination case in Johnson and Lawrence Counties, Kentucky(1999-present).

As lead consultant on the Lea County Landfill project managed site selection studies and permit document preparation for submission to the New Mexico Environment Department (Permit granted

1999).

As environmental consultant to WCS, LLC provides primary point of contact for U.S. Department of Energy (Headquarters). Provides regulatory guidance for the development of permits and licenses for additional waste streams on the facility's New Mexico properties. Also provides systems support and compliance monitoring (1995-present).

As environmental consultant to Harlan Richey, provided expertise and expert testimony in opposition to a proposed 27,000 acre shudge application project adjacent to the historic Eagle Mountain Ranch in Hudspeth County, Texas. The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC) subsequently withdrew its prior approval of the project (1997-1998).

As environmental consultant to Phillips Petroleum, Inc., provided expertise and expert witness testimony (deposition only-case was settled in favor of Phillips) on a complex land use/ groundwater contamination case (1997-1998).

As environmental consultant/project manager to Camino Real Environmental Center (CREC), managed the development of 3 solid waste permit applications for boundary modification, recycling center and landfill permit renewal for the solid waste facility at Sunland Park, (Doña Ana County) New Mexico. (Permits granted 1997). Manages Title V and NSPS permitting as well as on going compliance at the all of the company's facilities.

As environmental consultant/project manager for USA/UNITED WASTE, coordinated the rehabilitation of a permit (solid waste) application for Tri-Sect Landfill in Valencia County, New Mexico. (1998)

As environmental consultant/project manager for CREC, managed the acquisition of a discharge permit for a shudge land application site at the CREC Sunland Park, New Mexico site. (1994)

As environmental consultant/project manager for CREC, managed the development of a permit application for the Eddy County, New Mexico regional kndfill (Sand Point Regional Landfill). (Permit granted 1994)

As environmental consultant/project manager for Med-Compliance Services (MCS), managed the development of a permit application for a bio medical waste transfer and processing facility in Albuquerque (Bernalillo County) New Mexico. (Permit granted 1994).

Project required the development of a new processing technology that could meet new state standards.

As environmental consultant to Lower Valley Water District (El Paso County), prepared environmental assessments for Las Azaleas constructed wetlands project, 1993.

As permit consultant to R.R.I., acquired landfill and recycling permits for R.R.I. (NUMEX Landfill) facilities at Sunland Park, New Mexico, 1991.

As environmental consultant to Agra Earth & Environmental, Inc., responsibilities included development of multi-disciplinary data bases for large scale site suitability studies, landfill selection and environmental impact modeling, e.g. aquifer protection plans, geographic information systems and solid waste management plans, 1989 – 1994.

As project manager for El Paso County, (El Paso County versus State of Texas), coordinated 4 year review of Ft. Hancock site suitability for radioactive waste disposal. Developed technical case for plaintiffs. Plaintiffs prevailed on all 25 factual issues. District court decision upheld plaintiffs. State did not appeal, 1988 - 1991.

As Director of Special Projects at the Rio Grande Council of Governments, El Paso, Texas responsibilities included development and management of multi-disciplinary projects that focused primarily on land use and site planning issues in the region, e.g., site selection for landfills, industrial parks, energy storage systems, etc., 1989.

As Principal Planner at Sub-Land, Inc. El Paso, Texas responsibilities included management of environmental and economic feasibility studies for large-scale land use projects, 1986–1987.

As a Senior Staff Policy Analyst/Planner at EH & A Environmental Consultants, Austin, Texas was responsible for the design and implementation of land use, environmental economic baseline and impact studies and other assessments. Also was responsible for various types of specialized studies (regulatory, budgeting and forecasting). Developed and managed computer-based models for environmental planning, e.g. riverine flow impacts on bays and estuaries, predictive model of Brown Pelican flights across transmission lines, predictive models for archeological resources in large scale surveys, 1984–1987.

Expert Witness Experience: Federal and State Court. (Primary areas – environmental assessment, land use analysis, solid waste facility regulations, municipal services assessment and redistricting). Expert testimony in Adjudicatory Hearings on land use issues, e.g. landfill permits and water plans.

In the Academic Community: Taught courses in site planning, anthropology, environmental studies, alternative energy resource investigations, organization theory, industrial expansion analysis, policy typology assessment, public budgeting and fiscal planning.

EXPERIENCE

(Note: Several activities have overlapping/ concurring time frames).

Environmental Consultant: (Regulatory Compliance)

Environmental Consultant: (Site Assessment) CRI, Inc. Hobbs, New Mexico January, 2000 to present.

Raymond G. Sanchez and Bob Desiderio Attorneys at Law

PHONE NO. : 5058676991

Environmental Consultant: (DOE and N.M. Policy)

Environmental Consultant: (Water Development Strategy)

Environmental Consultant: (DOE Policy)

Environmental Consultant: (Remediation Estimates)

Environmental Consultant (Land Use)

Environmental Consultant: (Land Use Protection) (Expert Witness)

Environmental Consultant: (Remediation Estimates) (Expert Witness)

Environmental Consultant: (DOE and N.M. Policy)

Environmental Consultant: (Land Use Analysis)

Environmental Consultant: (Landfill Evaluation)

Environmental Permit Consultant: (Landfill Site Selection, Permitting) Albuquerque, New Mexico February, 2000 to present

Morrison-Knudsen, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio March, 2000 to present.

Kemp- Smith Law Firm El Paso, Texas February, 2000 to present.

Lea County, New Mexico 1999- April, 2000

Chandler and Associates, Lufkin, Texas July, 1998 to Present.

Phillips Petroleum Bartlesville, Oklahoma 1997-1998

Richey Oil Company Tyler, Texas (Project located in Hudspeth Co. Texas) 1997-1998.

Triangl (sic) Equities El Paso, Texas 1997-1998

Waste Control Specialists, LLC. Pasadena, Texas 1995 to Present

Santa Teresa Development, Inc. February, 1986 to 1994

El Paso County Commissioner's Court El Paso, Texas 1989 to 1991

R.R.I. (Waste Disposal) Purchased in 1999 by Waste Connections, Inc.

PHONE NO. : 5058676991



(Biomedical Waste Technology Development) (Compliance Monitoring)

Environmental Policy Consultant:

Environmental Consultant: (Land Use)

Director, Environmental Projects:

Professor:

Principal Planner/Director of Marketing:

Senior Policy Analyst / Land Use Analyst:

Division Chairman:

Lecturer - Budgeting and Forecasting:

Research Associate:

Lecturer - Technology Assessment:

February, 1991 to Present

Agra Earth & Environmental, Inc. Phoenix, Arizona August, 1989 to 1994

Horizon Environmental Services Austin, Texas 1989 to Present

Rio Grande Council of Governments El Paso, Texas March 1987 to July, 1989

New Mexico State University Land Use Analysis Las Cruces, New Mexico 1988

Sub-Land, Inc. El Paso, Texas 1986 to 1987

Espey, Huston & Associates, Inc. Austin, Texas 1984 to 1987

Social Sciences Wayland University Plainview, Texas 1983

MPA Program, Texas Tech University Logbock, Texas

Center for Energy Research Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas 1979

Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering (Doctoral Program) Texas Tech University

PHONE NO. : 5058676991

Assistant Division Chairman:

Administrative Head/Interim Director:

Instructor - Public Policy:

Assistant to City Manager:

Research Assistant, Stochastic Models:

Chairman - Department of Anthropology:

Research Assistant:

Technical Writer:

Lubbock, Texas 1979

Public Administration/Systems Wayland University Plainview, Texas 1978 to 1983

Computer Services Wayland College Plainview, Texas 1976 to 1978

Department of Political Science Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas 1976

City of Plainview, Texas 1976

Frederick Hartmann, Alfred Thayer Mahan Professor of Maritime Strategy Naval War College 1975

Department of Anthropology Wayland College Plainview, Texas 1971 - 1974

Department of Sociology & Anthropology Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas 1970 - 1971

Litton Industries Lubbock, Texas 1969

EDUCATION (MAJOR FIELDS)

- Ph.D.: Systems Theory and Environmental Policy Dissertation Topic - Policy Typologies & Case Survey Methodologies (Environmental Policy Issue—Environmental Resources Management) Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas August, 1985
- M.A.: Anthropology/Sociological Theory/Government Thesis Topic – Ideal Typology Development Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas 1971
- B.A.: Anthropology/Sociology/Journalism Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas 1969

ADVISORY COMMITTEES: (Recent)

New Mexico Environment Department Radioactive Materials Advisory Committee (Waste Management and Disposal Industry Representative), May 1, 2000 to Present

USEPA Environmental Justice Advisory Committee, 1999 to Present

New Mexico Environment Department, Tire Recycling Advisory Committee, 1995-1996

New Mexico Environment Department, Solid Waste Regulations Revision Advisory Committee, August - December, 1993

Rio Grande Council of Governments, Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (Far West Texas Planning Region), 1993

El Paso City/County Consolidated Data Processing Advisory Board - Oversight of mainframe (IBM 3090) operations for consolidated system, 1989 - 1991

AWARDS:

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Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) Landfill Excellence Award for Best Landfill Operation in North America, 1997

Outstanding Contribution Award - Environmental Design Contest, Waste Education Research Consortium, (Los Alamos National Laboratory, Sandia National Laboratory, University of New Mexico, New Mexico Tech, New Mexico State University and U.S. Department of Energy) May, 1993.

Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher of the Year, Texas Tech University, 1976.

George Mahon Congressional Scholarship Award for Graduate Study of Public Policy, 1974 1975.

Joint Graduate Student/Graduate Faculty Research Grant, "Development of Disaggregative Analysis Software for Decomposition of Large Data Sets", Texas Tech University, 1974.

TECHNICAL REPORTS/PAPERS:

"Revised Cost Estimates for Remediation of Contaminated Sites on Cantrell et al. Properties in Johnson and Lawrence Counties, Kentucky (Martha Oilfield)" prepared for the Chandler Law Offices and Spivey-Ainsworth Law Firm, July 5, 2000.

"Final Site Assessment and [14 Day Report] for Maloof Holdings at 100 Industrial Avenue, Albuquerque, N.M.", prepared for Raymond G. Sanchez and Robert Desiderio. Submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department, UST Bureau, May 19, 2000.

"Disposition of Pre-Subtitle D Landfills", presented at the SWANA Arid Landfill Symposium, Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 12, 2000.

"Preliminary Cost Estimates for Remediation of Contaminated Sites on Cantrell et al. Properties in Johnson and Lawrence Counties, Kentucky (Martha Oilfield)", prepared for the Chandler Law Offices and Spivey-Ainsworth Law Firm, May 25, 1999.

"Permit Application for Lea County Solid Waste Authority Regional Landfill", prepared for Lea County Solid Waste Authority, Lea County, New Mexico, submitted to Solid Waste Bureau, New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), January, 1998 (Permit granted December, 1998).

"Evaluation of Proposed Longo Construction, Inc. Sludge Application Project (27,000 acres) in southern Hudspeth County, Texas", prepared for Harlan Richey, March 1, 1998.

"Permit Application for Camino Real Environmental Center Regional Landfill and Recycling Center, (Sunland Park, New Mexico), prepared for RRI, Inc., El Paso, Texas, submitted to Solid Waste Bureau, New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), Nov. 1996. (Permit granted August 1997).

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Summary

CRI Closure Cost Estimate – Revised April/May 2003

Site	Changes since July 2002:					
	Pits 3a and 3d now drained, scraped clean					
	Pit 16a contents recovered, berms removed, bottom scraped	i clean				
	13,000 cy of clean cover material now stockpiled adjacent to pits 3a and 3b Landfill area now mostly covered and capped					
	Contents in Pits 13 and 16 have shown appreciable signs of	weathering,	can be han	dled		
	as solids rather than being pumped, do not need trea	tment prior to	o burial			
Mod	lified approach for this cleanup estimate:					
	BS&W will be mixed with berm material, windrowed, dried	d, and buried	at Area 15	rather than		
	fertilized, blended, and tilled three times in Pit 3ab					
1.0	BS&W (Pits 13 and 16, tank contents)					
	Pump out treatment and storage tanks, haul to Area 15	1,030 cy	\$6,520			
	Clean tanks, 4 crew, 3 days, SCBA		\$3,500			
	Dig up Pit 13, mix w/ berm mat'l, haul 0.2 mi to Area 15	2,560 cy	\$7,040			
	Dig up Pit 16, mix w/ berm mat'l, haul 0.8 mi to Area 15	1,270 cy	\$4,560			
	Windrow, dry, bury, and cap at Area 15	4,520 cy	\$9,270			
		•		\$30,890		
2.0	<u>Pit 3b, 3c Residue</u>					
	Scrape 12" from bottoms of pits, load and haul to Pit 3d	2,850 cy	\$5,870			
				\$5,870		
3.0	Berm Material					
	Pits 2,4,5,6 bulldozed into Pit 3d by D-6	4,690 cy	\$1,200			
	Pits 7-9, 10-12 loaded and trucked 600 ft to Pit 3d	4,140 cy	\$11,380			
	Spread out and compact in Pit 3d to 10 ft depth by D-6	11,680 cy	\$2,990			
	Cap w/ caliche/red bed, compact (3,600 sq yd)	1,800 cy	\$5,440			
				\$21,010		
4.0	Landfill					
	Cap 0.5 acres w/ caliche/red bed, compact (2,420 sq yd)	1,210 cy	\$4,500			
	(includes 1 D-6 day for misc fill and compaction of waste)			\$4,500		
5.0	Misc					
	Runon Control (diversion ditches @ Pit 3)		\$1,750			
	Site Cleanup, gen'l, D-6, loader, truck (30 hrs)		\$2,640			
	Mob/demob, 1 day for dozer, loader, low boys		\$2,350			
	Soil samples, 8 ea, report		\$4,800			
	Solid waste, liner and net scrap to landfill		\$2,500			
	Reports, admin, site specific Health and Safety Plan		\$7,020			
				\$21,060		
Total						
Assı	Imptions					
•	BS&W treated on-site: haul to Area 15, windrow for ~10 da	ays, burial				
•	Caliche and red bed cap material sources ripped on-site at 1	,500 cv per D	-6 dav			

- Cap w/ red bed (6") and caliche (12"), no protectable GW
- Use 0.5 acres of landfill to be covered, area found on 4/21/03
- 12 cy trucks @ \$60/hr; D-6 @ \$96/hr; loader @ \$78/hr; vacuum truck @ \$70/hr
- No reveg, tanks left clean and in place

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The enclosed photographic record of pond 13 (formerly 3) is evidence that there is no migration of fluid through the dikes of the pond or subsurface communications between the liquid management areas.

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After closure the dry material in 13d will not leach into the open portion of the pond 13.


13D - 3-6-03



13 D pit 2.19-2003



13 D pit 2-19-2003













13 D MAY 2002















13A 3-6-03



13 Apit 2-19-2003



13 A pit 2-19-2003



13 A pit 2-10-2003





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Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

Controlled Recovery, Inc. is requesting a variance from or amendment to Rule 711

to allow the surface waste management facilities to accept for treatment or disposal of

non oilfield wastes that are similar in characteristics to oilfield wastes that the facilities

are currently accepting.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ken Marsh

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Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

The material excavated from the Salado formation in south east New Mexico is stored on the surface and has some rain water runoff from the storage mound.

The excavation is continuing and will increase the volume of the runoff and any problems associated with the runoff.

Please call if I may provide additional information.

Sincerely

Ken Marsh

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Hydrogeologic Update Report Controlled Recovery, Inc Lea County, New Mexico

January 9, 2003

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I. Introduction

Controlled Recovery, Inc. (CRI) operates an oilfield waste recycling and disposal operation on property owned by CRI, which is located approximately halfway between Hobbs and Carlsbad, New Mexico (Figure 1.). The physical location of the property is adjacent to US Highways 62-180 in Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, Lea County. The facility operates pursuant to a permit application submitted to and approved by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD). The original permit application included geological and hydrological information that demonstrated that operation of the facility would not adversely impact fresh and usable groundwater supplies.

In February 2002, SESI was requested by CRI to perform a hydrologic update at facility that would include making groundwater measurements and performing limited water quality sampling. This report provides the results of that work.

II. Work Performed

A review of existing geology using available reports was performed. Several site visits were conducted to make water level measurements and to conduct water quality sampling. CRI engaged Basin Surveys of Hobbs to perform a topographic survey that included preparation of a site map (Figure 2) and an elevation survey of the top of previously installed piezometer casings at the facility. The results of this work are presented below.

In addition to the hydrogeologic review, soil samples were collected from several pit locations following emptying for routine inspection and maintenance. The results of the soil sampling are also presented.

Geologic Review

The geologic work submitted with the application to the NMOCD and other readily available information was reviewed, especially the work of the consulting hydrologist, James Wright. The main purpose for this particular review was to prepare a map of the elevation of the top of the Red Beds, which is the local name for rocks of Triassic and Permian age present beneath the surface alluvium. The Quaternary alluvium in the area of facility ranges in thickness from 0 to about 45 feet. The underlying Red Beds are approximately 800 ft. thick and are predominately composed of clays and siltstones with occasional very fine-grained sandstone. The upper part of these Red Beds is believed to be Chinle Formation and the lower portion Dewey Lake Red Beds. The Red Beds are underlain by the Rustler Formation which about 300 ft. thick under the site area, and consists primarily of anhydride or gypsum with some limestone and clays.

The surface alluvium is generally unsaturated except where water has been introduced due to man's activities. Therefore, in the absence of a pre-existing water table, it is important, to determine the orientation of the Red Beds to determine the direction of likely travel of any ponded water on top of the Red Beds.

Using depth to Red Bed data given in the Wright report and new elevation survey data for the top of casing at the existing piezometers, a Red Bed elevation contour map was prepared is shown as Figure 3. The map shows that in the area of the CRI facility, the slope of the Red Beds is to the northwest in the direction of Laguna Toston with a gradient of 0.0063 or 33 ft. per mile. Shallow groundwater in the area will flow on top of the red bed surface and therefore also move in the direction of Laguna Toston.

Hydrologic Work

The existing piezometer network was used to collect information on current groundwater conditions. Table 1 shows the results of the water level survey and was used to prepare a groundwater contour map (Figure 4). Information from several of the piezometers was not available or not used in the construction of the map. Two of the original piezometers were dry, another has been impacted by a water line leak, and a fourth is located over a mile from the main fluid processing areas at the facility.

Piezometer Number (ft.)	Date Measured	Casing Elevation (ft.)	Depth to Water (ft.)	Ground- water Elevation (ft.)	Total Depth (ft.)	Water Saturation (ft.)
P-1	03/07/02	3,554.9	(dry)		97.95	
P-2	03/07/02	3,556.6	(dry)		59.28	
P-3	03/07/02	3,543.4	31.98	3511.4	46.80	14.8
P-4	03/07/02	3,551.2	39.01	3512.2	58.60	19.6
P-5	03/07/02	3,541.0	18.85 ^a		48.57	
P-6	03/07/02	3,531.8	18.00	3513.8	50.21	32.2
P-7	03/07/02	3,543.7	17.74	3526.0	42.04	24.3
P–1A	03/07/02	3,522.9	11.86	3511.0	31.26	19.4
P–2A	. 03/07/02	3,529.3	37.14 ^b		47.41	
P-3A	03/07/02	3,526.1	12.94	3513.2	55.45	42.5

 Table 1. Water Level Measurements and Groundwater Elevations,

 Controlled Recovery, Inc., Lea County, New Mexico

Notes:

a. Water in P-5 is from a nearby water-line leak and a water level was not calculated for use in preparing the map.

b. P-2A is more than a mile north of the main liquids processing area of the facility and the water level was not calculated for use in preparing the map.

The groundwater map shows a groundwater mound in the vicinity of P-7 with decreasing hydraulic head radially outward. Although there is likely some movement to the east, piezometers P-1 and P-2 are dry, and the saturated thickness range in P-3 and P-4 is between 15 and 20 ft. Because the Red Beds dip to the northwest, most movement will be in that direction also and groundwater moving in other directions due to the influence of the groundwater mound will eventually be redirected to move to the northwest, also. The groundwater gradient to the northwest is 0.006 or about 30 ft. per mile.

As the groundwater approaches Laguna Toston, the salt lake, the groundwater contours flatten. The gradient between P-6 and P-1A decreases to 0.002, or about 10 ft. per mile. At some point lateral groundwater movement ceases in the vicinity of the lake and additional groundwater influx causes a rise in groundwater levels around the perimeter of the lake. Given the thin saturated thickness of the sediments, the low volume of recharge to the saturated zone and the slow movement of the groundwater, it is very unlikely that a small increase in groundwater elevation upgradient of the lake will have any type of measurable impact on water levels in the lake.

Water Quality

The current piezometers were not designed for the collection of water quality samples, and not much information is known about their construction. However they can be sampled and the results can be used to broadly characterize the groundwater in the area.

Samples were collected from several piezometers, Laguna Toston, and a borehole drilled beneath a pit closed for cleaning (Borehole 1, pit "D"). The results are tabulated in Table 2 and shown on Figure 5. The poorest overall water quality is in Laguna Toston which has a chloride concentration of 207,936 mg/L and a total dissolved solids (TDS) concentration of 446,900 mg/L. Samples from P-1A and P-3A show equally poor water quality, with a TDS of well over 100,000 mg/L at both locations. At a TDS of 103,900 mg/L, the borehole beneath pit D has less salt than the Laguna or these two piezometers. Piezometer 7 is located adjacent to pit D, and has a TDS of 39,300 mg/L, which is less than 10% of the TDS found in Laguna Toston. Piezometer P-6 has the "best" water quality. However, with a TDS of 15,200 mg/L, the groundwater at that location exceeds all state and federal standards for any use and is outside classification as an Underground Source of Drinking Water by state and federal water pollution control programs. (To be considered an Underground Source Of Drinking Water, the water must be less than 10,000 mg/L).

Sample Location	Date	Chloride (mg/L)	TDS (mg/L)
"A" Pit	05/08/02	154,952	319,400
Borehole 1	02/22/02	69,978	103,900
P-1A	02/14/02	198,000	361,900
P-3A	05/10/02	92,971	183,390
P-6	02/14/02	9,600	15,200
P-7	04/09/02	21,093	39,340
Laguna Toston	05/13/02	207,936	446,900

Table 2. Results of Water Quality	Sampling for Chloride and TDS,
Controlled Recovery, Inc.,	Lea County, New Mexico

Soil Sampling

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18. Diesel Storage

19. Security

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32. Storage

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I. Introduction

Controlled Recovery, Inc. (CRI) operates an oilfield waste recycling and disposal operation on property owned by CRI, which is located approximately halfway between Hobbs and Carlsbad, New Mexico (Figure 1.). The physical location of the property is adjacent to US Highways 62-180 in Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, Lea County. The facility operates pursuant to a permit application submitted to and approved by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD). The original permit application included geological and hydrological information that demonstrated that operation of the facility would not adversely impact fresh and usable groundwater supplies.

In February 2002, SESI was requested by CRI to perform a hydrologic update at facility that would include making groundwater measurements and performing limited water quality sampling. This report provides the results of that work.

II. Work Performed

A review of existing geology using available reports was performed. Several site visits were conducted to make water level measurements and to conduct water quality sampling. CRI engaged Basin Surveys of Hobbs to perform a topographic survey that included preparation of a site map (Figure 2) and an elevation survey of the top of previously installed piezometer casings at the facility. The results of this work are presented below.

In addition to the hydrogeologic review, soil samples were collected from several pit locations following emptying for routine inspection and maintenance. The results of the soil sampling are also presented.

Geologic Review

The geologic work submitted with the application to the NMOCD and other readily available information was reviewed, especially the work of the consulting hydrologist, James Wright. The main purpose for this particular review was to prepare a map of the elevation of the top of the Red Beds, which is the local name for rocks of Triassic and Permian age present beneath the surface alluvium. The Quaternary alluvium in the area of facility ranges in thickness from 0 to about 45 feet. The underlying Red Beds are approximately 800 ft. thick and are predominately composed of clays and siltstones with occasional very fine-grained sandstone. The upper part of these Red Beds is believed to be Chinle Formation and the lower portion Dewey Lake Red Beds. The Red Beds are underlain by the Rustler Formation which about 300 ft. thick under the site area, and consists primarily of anhydride or gypsum with some limestone and clays.

The surface alluvium is generally unsaturated except where water has been introduced due to man's activities. Therefore, in the absence of a pre-existing water table, it is important, to determine the orientation of the Red Beds to determine the direction of likely travel of any ponded water on top of the Red Beds.

Using depth to Red Bed data given in the Wright report and new elevation survey data for the top of casing at the existing piezometers, a Red Bed elevation contour map was prepared is shown as Figure 3. The map shows that in the area of the CRI facility, the slope of the Red Beds is to the northwest in the direction of Laguna Toston with a gradient of 0.0063 or 33 ft. per mile. Shallow groundwater in the area will flow on top of the red bed surface and therefore also move in the direction of Laguna Toston.

Hydrologic Work

The existing piezometer network was used to collect information on current groundwater conditions. Table 1 shows the results of the water level survey and was used to prepare a groundwater contour map (Figure 4). Information from several of the piezometers was not available or not used in the construction of the map. Two of the original piezometers were dry, another has been impacted by a water line leak, and a fourth is located over a mile from the main fluid processing areas at the facility.

Piezometer Number (ft.)	Date Measured	Casing Elevation (ft.)	Depth to Water (ft.)	Ground- water Elevation (ft.)	Total Depth (ft.)	Water Saturation (ft.)
P-1	03/07/02	3,554.9	(dry)		97.95	
· P-2	03/07/02	3,556.6	(dry)		59.28	
P3	03/07/02	3,543.4	31.98	3511.4	46.80	14.8
P4	03/07/02	3,551.2	39.01	3512.2	58.60	19.6
P-5	03/07/02	3,541.0	18.85 [°]		48.57	
P6	03/07/02	3,531.8	18.00	3513.8	50.21	32.2
P7	03/07/02	3,543.7	17.74	3526.0	42.04	24.3
P-1A	03/07/02	3,522.9	11.86	3511.0	31.26	19.4
P–2A	03/07/02	3,529.3	37.14 ^b		47.41	
P3A	03/07/02	3,526.1	12.94	3513.2	55.45	42.5

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Notes:

a. Water in P-5 is from a nearby water-line leak and a water level was not calculated for use in preparing the map.

b. P-2A is more than a mile north of the main liquids processing area of the facility and the water level was not calculated for use in preparing the map.

The groundwater map shows a groundwater mound in the vicinity of P-7 with decreasing hydraulic head radially outward. Although there is likely some movement to the east, piezometers P-1 and P-2 are dry, and the saturated thickness range in P-3 and P-4 is between 15 and 20 ft. Because the Red Beds dip to the northwest, most movement will be in that direction also and groundwater moving in other directions due to the influence of the groundwater mound will eventually be redirected to move to the northwest, also. The groundwater gradient to the northwest is 0.006 or about 30 ft. per mile.

As the groundwater approaches Laguna Toston, the salt lake, the groundwater contours flatten. The gradient between P-6 and P-1A decreases to 0.002, or about 10 ft. per mile. At some point lateral groundwater movement ceases in the vicinity of the lake and additional groundwater influx causes a rise in groundwater levels around the perimeter of the lake. Given the thin saturated thickness of the sediments, the low volume of recharge to the saturated zone and the slow movement of the groundwater, it is very unlikely that a small increase in groundwater elevation upgradient of the lake will have any type of measurable impact on water levels in the lake.

Water Quality

The current piezometers were not designed for the collection of water quality samples, and not much information is known about their construction. However they can be sampled and the results can be used to broadly characterize the groundwater in the area.

Samples were collected from several piezometers, Laguna Toston, and a borehole drilled beneath a pit closed for cleaning (Borehole 1, pit "D"). The results are tabulated in Table 2 and shown on Figure 5. The poorest overall water quality is in Laguna Toston which has a chloride concentration of 207,936 mg/L and a total dissolved solids (TDS) concentration of 446,900 mg/L. Samples from P-1A and P-3A show equally poor water quality, with a TDS of well over 100,000 mg/L at both locations. At a TDS of 103,900 mg/L, the borehole beneath pit D has less salt than the Laguna or these two piezometers. Piezometer 7 is located adjacent to pit D, and has a TDS of 39,300 mg/L, which is less than 10% of the TDS found in Laguna Toston. Piezometer P-6 has the "best" water quality. However, with a TDS of 15,200 mg/L, the groundwater at that location exceeds all state and federal standards for any use and is outside classification as an Underground Source of Drinking Water by state and federal water pollution control programs. (To be considered an Underground Source Of Drinking Water, the water must be less than 10,000 mg/L).

Sample Location	Date	Chloride (mg/L)	TDS (mg/L)
"A" Pit	05/08/02	154,952	319,400
Borehole 1	02/22/02	69,978	103,900
P-1A	02/14/02	198,000	361,900
P-3A	05/10/02	92,971	183,390
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