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Mr. Jeffrey P. Dann
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Dear Mr. Dann:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has received the report entitled "Preliminary Ground Water Contamination Investigation Results" for the Monument 6" 72202 gathering line, Link Energy ref: #2002-10197, dated January 26, 2004. Environmental Plus, Inc. submitted this report on behalf of Link Energy, LLC. In the NMOCD database this project is referenced as 1R-0399.

The above report requests that the groundwater investigation phase of the project be deemed complete so that the monitor wells may be removed. This request is approved with the following conditions:

1. The monitor wells are properly plugged according to NMOCD guidelines.
2. Soil remediation at the site (with landowner approval) commences and is continued until completed.
3. A final closure report for the site is submitted to NMOCD for approval.
4. The surface of the site is restored.

Pursuant to the above conditions, no further groundwater investigation will be required.

Please be advised that NMOCD approval does not relieve link Energy, LLC of responsibility should remaining contaminants pose a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve Link Energy, LLC of its responsibility to comply with any other federal, state or local laws and regulations.

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