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Mr. William C. Olson
Environmental Bureau
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: PLAN FOR FUTURE WORK, CONOCOPHILLIPS B COM 1E

Dear Mr. Olson:

Souder, Miller & Associates (SMA) has prepared this letter on behalf of ConocoPhillips to confirm the results of the January 27, 2004 meeting between ConocoPhillips and the Oil Conservation Division (OCD). The meeting established a plan for future work on the ConocoPhillips B COM 1E site. ConocoPhillips and SMA understand that the plan consists of:

- 1. Let MW-1 stand without skimming for 2-3 weeks. Evaluate non aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) recovery rate in MW-1 with a bail down test if adequate NAPL accumulates. Based on test results, establish NAPL removal procedure. Given NAPL recovery rates to date, the procedure will likely be either continued passive skimming or periodic hand bailing. All wells will be monitored for ground water elevation data quarterly. Brief annual letter reports on NAPL recovery results and the potentiometric surface will be prepared.
- 2. When NAPL is no longer measurable in MW-1, commence once annual monitoring events on MW-1 and MW-6 for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and total xylenes by EPA Method 8021B and for biodegradation parameters. All site wells will be monitored for ground water elevation data. Prepare annual summary reports of site activities. The reports will recommend monitoring plan modifications as necessary.
- 3. When contaminant concentrations in MW-1 are below New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission standards, commence quarterly monitoring of MW-1 and MW-6 for site closure until four quarters of below standard data are achieved. Other site wells will be monitored only during the final, fourth quarter to verify site closure.

If this is not OCD's understanding of the plan for future work, please inform me within 10 business days (505-473-9211, rsa@soudermiller.com). ConocoPhillips and SMA

Mr. William Olson February 3, 2004 Page 2

appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and establish a path towards closure for this project.

Sincerely,

SOUDER, MILLER & ASSSOCIATES

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Vice President/Senior Scientist

Cc: Mr. Neal Goates, ConocoPhillips



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Bill Olsen, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1200 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU
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RE: Conoco Groundwater Report Summary

On behalf of ConocoPhillips **Souder Miller and Associates**, is submitting the enclosed 2002 Annual Groundwater report for five (5) locations. Salmon #1 is included on this table although no Annual Report is being submitted.

LOCATION NAME	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDATION	
Farmington B Com 1	Unit H, S 12, T29N, R12W	BTEX has been at or below NMWQCC standards, for	
		four quarters: need to sample for closure during March 2003, and submit Pit Closure forms to OCD.	
Nell-Hall # 1	Unit M, S 07, T30N, R11W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998.	
Farmington C Com 1	Unit L, S 15, T29N, R13W	BTEX has been at or below NMWQCC standards, for four quarters: closure sampling has been accomplished, Pit Closure Forms are attached.	
Farmington B Com 1E	Unit O, S 15, T29N, R13W	Free product is still present in MW-1. Sampling stopped at this time IAW NMOCD direction, more aggressive recovery program being investigated.	
Salmon # 1	mon #1 Unit P, S 30, T29N, R11W Site has been closed and monitoring water properly plugged and abandoned.		
S&K # 1	Unit L, S 29, T29N, R11W	MW-NE and SB 12 have high Benzene levels all others at or below NMWQCC standards, continue monitoring of MW-NE and SB 12.	

If there are any questions or concerns on this matter, feel free to contact me at (505) 325-5667. Thank you for your time and considerations.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hagstrom

Environmental Technician

Souder Miller and Associates

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Neal Goates, RM&R Site Manager, ConocoPhillips, PO Box 2197, Houston, TX 77252-2197 Denny Foust, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 1000 Rio Brazos, Aztec, NM 87410 Bill Liess, BLM, 1235 La Plata Hwy., Farmington, NM 87401 Michael Nelson, ConocoPhillips, PO Box 2197, Houston, TX 77252-2197 File



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ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

RE: Conoco Groundwater Report Summary

On behalf of Conoco *On Site Technologies Limited Partnership*, is submitting the enclosed 2001 Annual Groundwater report for Ten (10) sites.

LOCATION NAME	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDATION
Farmington B Com 1	Unit H, S 12, T29N, R12W	WSP-1 still has high BTEX, all other at or below NMWQCC standards, continue monitoring of WSP #1
Nell-Hall#1	Unit M, S 07, T30N, R11W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998
Farmington C Com 1	Unit L, S 15, T29N, R13W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998
Farmington B Com 1E	Unit O, S 15, T29N, R13W	Free product is still present in MW-1. Sampling stopped at this time IAW NMOCD direction, more aggressive recovery program being investigated.
Salmon # 1	Unit P, S 30, T29N, R11W	DG#2 has had BTEX levels below NMWQCC standards for the last six quarters. Close site and properly plug and abandon monitoring wells.
S&K1	Unit L, S 29, T29N, R11W	SB 12 still has high BTEX, all others at or below NMWQCC standards, continue monitoring of SB 12.

If there are any questions or concerns on this matter, feel free to contact me at (505) 325-5667.

Thank you for your time and considerations.

Respectfully submitted.

Yohn Hagstrom

Environmental Technician

On Site Technologies Limited Partnership

CC:

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John Cofer, Sr. Environmental Specialist, Conoco Inc., 3315 Bloomfield HWY, Farmington, NM 87401



February 27, 2001

Mr. Bill Olson

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

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RE: Conoco Groundwater Report Summary

On behalf of Conoco *On Site Technologies Limited Partnership*, is submitting the enclosed 2000 Annual Groundwater report for Ten (10) sites.

LOCATION NAME	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDATION
Farmington B Com 1	Unit H, S 12, T29N, R12W	WSP-1 still has high BTEX, all other at or below NMWQCC standards, continue monitoring of WSP #1
Nell-Hall#1	Unit M, S 07, T30N, R11W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998
Farmington C Com 1	Unit L, S 15, T29N, R13W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998
Farmington B Com 1E	Unit O, S 15, T29N, R13W	Free product is still present in MW-1. Sampling stopped at this time IAW NMOCD direction, more aggressive recovery program being investigated.
Salmon # 1	Unit P, S 30, T29N, R11W	DG#2 still has high BTEX, Continue monitoring in accordance with NMOCD letter dated September, 1998.
San Juan 28-7#126	Unit M, S 1, T27N, R7W	Research is being done to complete and submit the Pit closure forms and final reports
San Juan 28-7#219	Unit N, S 20, T28N, R7W	Research is being done to complete and submit the Pit closure forms and final reports
S&K1	Unit L, S 29, T29N, R11W	Research is being done to complete and submit the Pit closure forms and final reports
San Juan 28-7#19	Unit G, S 25, T28N, R7W	research is being done to complete and submit the Pit closure forms and final reports
San Juan 28-7#47	Unit A, S 20, T28N, R7W	Research is being done to complete and submit the Pit closure forms and final reports
Farmington Com #1	Unit P, Sec 11, T29N, R13W	Monitoring wells and piezometer plug and abandoned IAW NMOCD Letter dated December 13, 2000
Shephard & Kelsey #1E	Unit D, Sec. 29, T29N, R11W	Monitoring wells plug and abandoned IAW NMOCD Letter dated December 14, 2000

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February 27, 2001

Conoco Inc. Summary of 1999 Ground Water Monitoring On Site Technologies, Ltd.

If there are any questions or concerns on this matter, feel free to contact me at (505) 325-5667.

Thank you for your time and considerations.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Trajillo, CHMM **Environmental Specialist**

On Site Technologies Limited Partnership

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August 9, 1999

Mr. Wm. "Bill" Olsen, Hydrologist

NMOCD

2040 S. PACHECO ST Santa Fe, NM, 87505

RE: Conoco Groundwater Report Summary

On behalf of Conoco Inc., *On Site Technologies Limited Partnership* requests a status of approval for the corrective actions on the following list of well locations.

LOCATION NAME	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDATION	
RECOMMEND	CONTINUED	MONITORING	
Farmington B Com 1	Unit H, S 12, T29N, R12W	WSP-1 still has high BTEX, all other at or below NMWQCC standards, continue monitoring of WSP #1	
San Juan 28-7#19	Unit G, S 25, T28N, R7W	Continue monitoring, BTEX levels still above NMWQCC standards	
San Juan 28-7#47	Unit A, S 20, T28N, R7W	Continue monitoring, BTEX levels still above NMWQCC standards	
Nell-Hall#1	Unit M, S 07, T30N, R11W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998	
Farmington C Com 1	Unit L, S 15, T29N, R13W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998	
Farmington B Com 1E	Unit O, S 15, T29N, R13W	Continue to monitor as required in NMCOD letter dated September, 1998	
Salmon # 1	Unit P, S 30, T29N, R11W	DG#2 still has high BTEX, Continue monitoring in accordance with NMOCD letter dated September, 1998	
RECOMMEND	CLOSURE		
San Juan 28-7#126	Unit M, S 1, T27N, R7W	4 quarters of sampling below NMWQCC standards, recommend closure	
San Juan 28-7#219	Unit N, S 20, T28N, R7W	4 quarters of sampling below NMWQCC standards, recommend closure	
S&K1	Unit L, S 29, T29N, R11W	4 quarters of sampling below NMWQCC standards recommend closure.	
Farmington Com 1	Unit P, S 11, T29N, R13W	Contamination level in MW 1 below OCD action levels for the last four quarters, MW2 and MW3 historically have not had any contamination above NMWQCC standards. Recommend closure of the location.	
S&K1E Unit D, S 29, T29N, R11W 4 quarters of sampling below Of recommend closure.		4 quarters of sampling below OCD action levels recommend closure.	



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ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

ATTENTION:

DATE: February 17, 1999

Mr. Bill Olson New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Conoco's 1998 Annual Groundwater Report

Dear Mr. Olson:

On behalf of Conoco *On Site Technologies Limited Partnership*, is submitting the enclosed 1998 Annual Groundwater report for ten (10) sites.

Number of Originals	Description
1	Shephard & Kelsey #1E Unit D, Sec. 29, T29N, R11W
1	Shephard & Kelsey #1 Unit L, Sec. 29, T29N, R11W
1	Salmon #1 Unit P, Sec. 30, T29N, R7W
1	Nell-Hall #1 Unit, M, Sec 7, T30N, R11W
1	San Juan 28-7-19 Unit G, Sec. 25, T28N, R7W
1	San Juan 28-7-47 Unit A, Sec. 20, T28N, R7W
1	Farmington Com #1 Unit P, Sec 11, T29N, R13W
1	Farmington B Com #1 Unit H, T29N R13W
1	Farmington C Com 1 Unit L, Sec. 15, T29N, R13W
· 1	Farmington B Com 1E Unit O, Sec 15, T29, R13W

Thank you,

Larry Trujillo

Sr. Environmental Technician

CC:

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> PO Box 2606 Farmington, NM

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2040 S. PACHECO SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87505 (505) 827-7131

July 15, 1998

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-235-437-314

Ms. Shirley Ebert Conoco, Inc. 3314 Bloomfield Hwy. Farmington, New Mexico 87401

RE: **GROUND WATER INVESTIGATIONS FARMINGTON B COM #1E WELL SITE**

Dear Ms. Ebert:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed Conoco, Inc.'s (Conoco) April 14, 1998 "INITIAL GROUNDWATER MONITORING REPORT FOR FARMINGTON B COM #1E, UNIT O, SEC 15, T29N, R13W" which was submitted on behalf of Conoco by their consultant On Site Technologies, Ltd. This document contains the results of Conoco's investigation, of ground water contamination related to production activities at Conoco's Farmington B Com #1E well site.

The data in the above referenced report shows that the extent of ground water contamination has not been determined. The OCD requires that Conoco complete the definition of the extent of ground water contamination at this site pursuant to Conoco's prior approved ground water investigation and remediation plan for the San Juan Basin.

If you have any questions, please call me at (505) 827-7154.

Sincerely,

William C. Olson Hydrologist

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DATE: January 5, 1998

ATTENTION:

Mr. Bill Olson New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505

PROJECT REFERENCE:

PROJECT No. 4-1373 & 4-1374

No. Originals	No. Copies	Description
	2	FMTN C-COM1 & FMTN B-COM 1E

REMARKS:

Dear Mr. Olson,

At Conoco's request, we are sending you copies of the excavation summaries for Farmington C-Com 1, Unit L Sec. 15, T29N, R13W and Farmington B-Com 1E, Unit O, Sec. 15, T29N, R13W

SIGNATURE:

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August 22, 1997

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn.: Mr. William C. Olson 2040 S. Pacheco

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: NMOCD Letter Dated July 28, 1997 Regarding Conoco's Annual Pit Closure Summary and Ground Water Impacts

Dear Mr. Olson:

In response to and acknowledgement of the referenced letter, we offer the following item by item discussion and progress report.

General Conditions

- a. Ground water sampling conducted after August 10, 1997 will include analysis for cations/anions and RCRA metals from the well at the source on each location. If a sheen is noted, the water will also be analyzed for Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH). If the well at the source exhibits results above regulatory limits, additional wells at the location as well as future sampling events will be analyzed for those parameters. The results of these analyses will be included in subsequent annual reports.
- b. A comprehensive ground water remediation plan and long term ground water monitoring plan will be submitted to NMOCD as required by October 10, 1997.
- c. Future annual ground water reports will be submitted to NMOCD by March 1 of each year. Each site will be treated as a separate case and information presented will include:
 - i. A summary of ground water remediation and monitoring activities for the prior calendar year.
 - ii. A summary table of all past and present ground water quality analytical results with copies of laboratory analytical results for samples taken during the prior calendar year.
 - iii. An updated site map showing the locations of relevant features (i.e. well head, pits, former pits, monitor wells, etc.)
 - iv. A quarterly ground water potentiometric map.
 - v. A geologic log and well completion diagram for each monitor well.

2. Status report of remedial actions for the Farmington Com #1, Farmington C Com #1, and Farmington B Com #1E; ground water remediation work plan for the Farmington B Com #1:

Conoco, Inc. has contracted with On Site Technologies Limited of Farmington, NM to determine a scope of work, solicit bids, procure and supervise a qualified excavation and hauling subcontractor to remove the impacted soils delineated in the April, 1997 Investigation Reports for each site. However, On Site has experienced considerable difficulty obtaining responses from contractors due to the intense level of activity in the San Juan Basin. Two bids have now been received and a contractor, Consolidated Constructors, selected based on both price and timely availability of equipment. Even so, due to prior commitments, that contractor cannot mobilize until after August 29, 1997. On Site plans to commence work on the Farmington C Com #1 and then the Farmington B Com #1E as soon as the contractor's schedule permits pending access permission from an adjacent landowner outside the C Com #1 location fence.

In addition to the difficulty of obtaining a contractor, we are aware that Merrion Oil, the current operator of these locations, has requested an extension until November, 1997 on the Farmington Com #1 based on a substantial risk to the public due to the proximity of the location to a City-owned public park and recreation area.

For the reasons given above, we request that an extension be granted for the soils remediation at the Farmington C Com #1, and Farmington B Com #1E until September 30, 1997 and at the Farmington Com #1 until the November date requested by Merrion Oil.

Furthermore, on the Farmington B Com #1 where the soil remediation has been completed, another ground water sample event is due in mid-September. We believe that the information from that event will be very helpful in developing an effective ground water remediation plan for the B Com #1. Additionally, the analyses specified in Item 1.a. have not been performed at this location and will be run on the September samples.

Regarding ground water remediation work plans, we request that extensions be granted for each site as noted below:

Farmington Com #1 November 30, 1997
Farmington C Com #1 October 10, 1997
Farmington B Com #1E October 10, 1997
Farmington B Com #1 October 10, 1997

3. Status of the Sheperd & Kelsey #1E (Separator pit)

On August 19, 1997, On Site Technologies advanced four test holes, using a direct-punch probing system, in the area of the separator pit at the Shepard & Kelsey #1E for the purpose of determining the extent of ground water contamination. Soil samples were taken at the soil/water interface at approximately five feet below ground surface. Field headspace results for those samples ranged from 0.0 to 5.9 units. Cobbles were encountered at eight to ten feet below surface. Monitoring wells were installed in the two test holes with the highest headspace readings of 2.9 and 5.9 units. The wells were then developed and, the next day, sampled. The existing monitor well (MW 1) in the pit proper was also purged, tested for pH and conductivity, and sampled. MW 1 is being analyzed for BTEX, API Water suite, Total RCRA Metals, and Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons. Samples from MW 2 and MW 3, the new wells, are being analyzed for BTEX only as directed. A report delineating the extent of ground water contamination at this location will be prepared upon receipt of laboratory analytical results.

We hope that the information above meets with your approval and adequately addresses the requirements delineated in your letter of July 28, 1997. We will keep you and Mr. Denny Foust of your Aztec office advised of our progress on the Farmington locations. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (505) 324-5813.

Sincerely,

C John Coy

Field SHEAR Specialist

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