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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. 5051 5024

Mr. Runore C. Wycoff Department of Energy Nevada Field Office P.O. Box 98518 Las Vegas, NV 89193-8518

Re: Scope of Work For FY 2000 Preliminary Investigation of the GasBuggy Site.

Dear Mr. Wycoff:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) is in receipt of the Department of Energy's (DOE) Scope of Work dated August 21, 2000 for the Preliminary Investigation of the GasBuggy site located in SW/4 of Section 36-Ts 29N-R 4W NMPM of Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The plan is hereby approved subject to the following additional conditions:

- 1. DOE will collect representative soil samples, and groundwater samples where applicable, from each area of investigation to properly characterize the waste. All samples will be collected and analyzed for the parameters listed in the plan and any Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulation "water contaminant" as listed in WQCC 20 NMAC.6.2.3103. All samples shall be collected and analyzed pursuant to EPA methods.
- 2. DOE will determine the extent of any WQCC "water contaminant" found on-site in the vadose zone and/or groundwater including the parameters listed in the plan.
- 3. All wastes generated during the investigation shall be disposed of at an OCD approved facility.

- 4. DOE shall submit the results of the investigation to the OCD Santa Fe Office by **December 15, 2000** with a copy provided to the OCD Aztec District Office and shall include the following investigative information:
 - a. A description of all investigation, remediation and monitoring activities which have occurred including conclusions and recommendations.
 - b. A geologic/lithologic log and well completion diagram for each bore hole or monitor well.
 - c. A current site plot plan showing the extent and location of any on-site contamination found. Please include location of all pits, landfills, buried material, excavated areas, monitor wells, and any other pertinent site features, as well as the depth, direction and magnitude of the groundwater hydraulic gradient, if known.
 - d. Isopleth maps for contaminants of concern which were observed during the investigations.
 - e. Summary tables of all soil and ground water quality sampling results and copies of all laboratory analytical data sheets and associated QA/QC data taken within the past year.
 - f. The quantity and disposition of all recovered product and/or wastes generated.
- 5. DOE will notify the OCD Santa Fe office and the OCD District office at least 48 hours in advance of all scheduled activities such that the OCD has the opportunity to witness the events and/or split samples during OCD's normal business hours.

Please be advised that NMOCD approval of this plan does not relieve DOE of liability should their investigations and/or operations fail to adequately investigate and/or remediate contamination that poses a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve DOE of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-7155.

Sincerely.

Wayne Price-Pet. Engr. Spec.

cc: OCD Aztec Office

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