<u>District I</u> 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 District II 811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210 District III 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 District IV 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico **Energy Minerals and Natural Resources** Department Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-144 Revised June 6, 2013

For temporary pits, below-grade tanks, and multi-well fluid management pits, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office. For permanent pits submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

Pit, Below-Grade Tank, or

Type of action: Below grade tank registration
ease be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the avironment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances. Operator: BP America Production Company OGRID #: 778 Address:200 Energy Court, Farmington, NM 87401
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API Number:3004524688 OCD Permit Number:
U/L or Qtr/Qtr M Section 27 Township 29N Range 9W County: San Juan
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude36.692280Longitude107.772744NAD: □1927 ⊠ 1983
Surface Owner: Federal State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment
Pit: Subsection F, G or J of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Temporary: Drilling Workover
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Multi-Well Fluid Management Low Chloride Drilling Fluid ☐ yes ☐ no
Lined Unlined Liner type: Thicknessmil LLDPE HDPE PVC Other
☐ String-Reinforced
Liner Seams: Welded Factory Other Volume: bbl Dimensions: Lx Wx D
3.
Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC TANK B
Volume: 95 bbl Type of fluid: Produced water
Tank Construction material: Steel
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other _Single wall/ Double bottom; no visible sidewalls
Liner type: Thicknessmil
4.
Alternative Method: Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

5. Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)		
Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church)		
☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet		
Alternate. Please specify		
6. Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)		
Screen Netting Other		
☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)		
7. Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC		
12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers		
☐ Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC		
8.		
<u>Variances and Exceptions</u> : Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.		
Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:		
 □ Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval. □ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. 		
9. Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptance are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.	otable source	
General siting		
Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank. - □ NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; □ USGS; □ Data obtained from nearby wells	Yes No	
Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA	
NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	11/1	
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	Yes No	
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☐ No	
 Within an unstable area. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map 	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Within a 100-year floodplain. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Below Grade Tanks		
Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption;. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid (maximum chloride content 15,000 mg/liter)		
Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). (Applies to low chloride temporary pits.) - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No	

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Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC	
Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the attached.	documents are
 ☐ Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC 	
Climatological Factors Assessment	
☐ Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC ☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC	
☐ Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC	
☐ Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC ☐ Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan	
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC	
☐ Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC ☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H ₂ S, Prevention Plan	
Emergency Response Plan	
Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization	
☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan ☐ Erosion Control Plan	
Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC	
13. Proposed Closure: 19.15.17.13 NMAC	
Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.	
Type: Drilling Workover Emergency Cavitation P&A Permanent Pit Below-grade Tank Multi-well Fl	luid Management Pit
Proposed Closure Method: Waste Excavation and Removal	
Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)	
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems) ☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial	
Alternative Closure Method	
14. Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be a	attached to the
closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.	
☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC ☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	
☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)	
☐ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC ☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	
Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	
15. Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19.15.17.10 NMAC	
Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable sour provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. P	
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- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No☐ NA
Ground water is between 25-50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.	Yes No
- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	□ NA
Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).	Yes No
- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	Yes No
Within 300 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.	☐ Yes ☐ No
- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	
Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 300 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance	

adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☐ No
 Within an unstable area. Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map 	
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map	☐ Yes ☐ No☐ Yes ☐ No
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On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection K of 19.15.17. Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19. Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	11 NMAC 15.17.11 NMAC
17. Operator Application Certification: I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and believed.	ef.
Name (Print): Steve Moskal Title: Field Environmental Coordinator	
Signature:	
18. OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only) OCD Conditions (see attachment)	
OCD Representative Signature: Approval Date: 11May	17
Title: Hydrologist OCD Permit Number: na	
19. Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed. Closure Completion Date:	
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Closure Method:	
	op systems only)

22. Operator Closure Certification:	
I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements	
Name (Print):	Title:
Signature:	Date:
e-mail address:	Telephone:

BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY

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BELOW-GRADE TANK CLOSURE PLAN

This plan will address the method, procedures, and protocols for closure of below-grade tanks (BGTs) on BP America Production Company (BP) well sites pursuant to Subsection A of 19.15.17.13 NMAC. As stipulated in Paragraph (1) of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, BP will not commence closure without first obtaining approval of the closure plan submitted pursuant to Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC. If deviations from this plan are necessary, BP will request preapproval from the Division District III office of any specific changes and will be included on form C-144. BP shall close its BGTs within 60 days of cessation of the operation as required by Paragraph (4) of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.

General Closure Plan

- 1. BP shall notify the surface owner by certified mail; return receipt requested that it plans to close a BGT. Notice given will be at least 72 hours in advanced, but not more than one week prior to any closure operation. The notice shall include the well name, API number, and legal description of the location. Evidence of mailing of the notice to the address of the surface owner shown in the county tax records demonstrates compliance with this requirement.
- 2. BP shall notify the Division District III office verbally and in writing at least 72 hours, but not more than one week, prior to any closure operation. The notice shall include the Operator's name, and the location of the BGT to be closed by unit letter, section, township and range. If the BGT closure is associated with a particular well, then the notice shall also include the well's name, number and API number.
- 3. BP will removed liquids and sludge within 60 days of cessation of operations of the BGT. BP shall remove liquids and sludge from the BGT prior to implementing a closure method and dispose of the liquids and sludge in a NMOCD approved facility. The facilities to be used are:
 - a. BP Crouch Mesa Landfarm, Permit NM-02-003 (Solids)
 - b. JFJ Landfarm, Permit NM-01-010 (B) (Solids and Sludge) c. Basin Disposal, Permit NM-01-0005 (Liquids)
 - d. Envirotech Inc. Soil Remediation Facility, Permit NM-01-0011 (Solids and Sludge)
 - e. BP Operated E.E. Elliott SWD #1, API 30-045-27799 (Liquids)
 - f. BP Operated 13 GCU SWD #1, API 30-045-28601 (Liquids)
 - g. BP Operated GCU 259 SWD, API 30-045-20006 (Liquids) h. BP Operated GCU 306 SWD, API 30-045-24286 (Liquids)
 - i. BP Operated GCU 307 SWD, API 30-045-24248 (Liquids)
 - j. BP Operated GCU 328 SWD, API 30-045-24735 (Liquids)
 - k. BP Operated Pritchard SWD #1, API 30-045-28351 (Liquids)
- 4. BP shall remove the BGT within 60 days of cessation of the operation. BP shall remove the BGT and dispose of it in a NMOCD approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the Division District III office approves. Documentation as to the final disposition of the removed BGT will be provided in the final closure report.
- 5. BP shall remove any on-site equipment associated with a BGT unless the equipment is required for some other purpose within 6 months of BGT removal.
- 6. BP shall test the soils beneath the BGT to determine whether a release has occurred. BP shall collect at a minimum: a five (5) point composite sample to include any obvious stained or wet soils, or other evidence of a release under the BGT. The composite sample shall be collected and analyzed as required for the constituents listed in Table I within Subparagraph (a) of paragraph (3) of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC (see Table 1 on following page).

Table 1 Closure Criteria for Soils Beneath Below-Grade Tanks				
Depth below bottom of pit to groundwater less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**	
≤50 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	600 mg/kg	
	ТРН	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	100 mg/kg	
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg	
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg	
51 feet-100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	10,000 mg/kg	
	ТРН	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg	
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	1,000 mg/kg	
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg	
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg	
> 100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	20,000 mg/kg	
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg	
	GRO+DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	1,000 mg/kg	
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	(50 mg/kg)	
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	(10 mg/kg)	

Notes: mg/Kg = milligram per kilogram, BTEX = benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes, TPH = total petroleum hydrocarbons, TDS = total dissolved solids.

- * Or other test methods approved by the division
- ** Numerical limits or natural background level, whichever is greater
- 7. If any contaminant concentration exceeds those standards set in Table I, BP will acknowledge NMOCD's position to require additional delineation upon review of the results. BP will not proceed with any further closure activities until approval is first granted by NMOCD.
- 8. If the sampling demonstrates that all contaminant constituents do not exceed the concentrations specified in Table I, then BP shall backfill the excavation, with non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material.
- 9. BP shall reclaim the BGT location and all areas associated with the BGT including associated access roads to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. BP shall substantially restore the impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to oil and gas operations by placement of the soil cover as provided in Paragraph (2) of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, re-contour the BGT location and associated areas to a contour that approximates the original contour and blends with the surrounding topography and re-vegetate according to Paragraph (5) of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.
- 10. BP may propose an alternative to the re-vegetation or recontouring requirement if it can demonstrate to the NMOCD's District III office that the proposed alternative provides equal or greater prevention of erosion, and protection of fresh water, public health and the environment. BP will seek surface owner approval of the proposed alternative and provide written documentation of the surface owner's approval to NMOCD for its approval.
- 11. Areas reasonably needed for production operations or for subsequent drilling operations shall be compacted, covered, paved, or otherwise stabilized and maintained in such a way as to minimize dust and erosion to the extent practicable.
- 12. The soil cover for closures after site contouring, where the BGT has been removed and if necessary remediated beneath the BGT to chloride concentrations less than 600 mg/kg as analyzed by EPA Method 300.0, shall consist of the background thickness of topsoil or one foot or suitable material, whichever is greater.

- 13. The soil cover will be constructed to the site's existing grade and all practicable efforts will be made to prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material.
- 14. All areas disturbed by the closure of the BGT, except areas reasonably needed for production operations or for subsequent drilling operations, shall be reclaimed as early and as nearly as practicable to their original condition or their final land use and shall be maintained to control dust and minimize erosion to the extent practicable.
- 15. Topsoils and subsoils shall be replaced to their original relative positions and contoured so as to achieve erosion control, long-term stability and preservation of surface water flow patterns. The disturbed area then shall be reseeded in the first favorable growing season following closure of the BGT.
- 16. Reclamation of all disturbed areas no longer in use shall be considered complete when all ground surface disturbing activities at the site have been completed, and a uniform vegetative cover has been established that reflects a life-form ratio of plus or minus fifty percent (50%) of pre-disturbance levels and a total percent plant cover of at least seventy percent (70%) of pre-disturbance levels, excluding noxious weeds.
- 17. The re-vegetation and reclamation obligations imposed by other applicable federal or tribal agencies on lands managed by those agencies shall supersede these provisions and govern the obligations of BP subject to those provisions, provided that the other requirements provide equal or better protection of fresh water, human health and the environment.
- 18. Pursuant to Subparagraph (e) of Paragraph (5) of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, BP shall notify the NMOCD when reclamation and re-vegetation has been successfully achieved.
- 19. Within 60 days of closure completion, BP shall submit a closure report on NMOCD's form C-144, and will include the following;
 - a. necessary attachments to document all closure activities
 - b. sampling results
 - c. information required by 19.15.17 NMAC
 - d. details on back-filling, capping and covering, where applicable.
- 20. BP shall certify that all information in the report and attachments is accurate, truthful, and compliant with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.