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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 CLEZ
Revised August 1, 2011

For closed-loop systems that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, submit to the appropriate NMOC District Office.

Closed-Loop System Permit or Closure Plan Application

(that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)

Type of action: ☒ Permit ☐ Closure

Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144 CLEZ) per individual closed-loop system request. For any application request other than for a closed-loop system that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, please submit a Form C-144.

Please 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 environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.

1. Operator: Celero Energy II, LP OGRID #: 247128
Address: 400 W. Illinois, Ste. 1601 Midland, TX 79701
Facility or well name: Drickey Queen Sand Unit #823
API Number: 30-005-00988 OCD Permit Number: P1-06390
U/L or Qtr/Qtr F Section 4 Township 14S Range 31E County: Chaves
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude _____ Longitude _____ NAD: ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983
Surface Owner: ☒ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2. ☒ **Closed-loop System:** Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Operation: ☐ Drilling a new well ☐ Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent) ☒ P&A
☒ Above Ground Steel Tanks or ☐ Haul-off Bins

3. **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

4. **Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment 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 documents are attached.
☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
☒ Closure Plan (Please complete Box 5) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: _____
☐ Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: _____

5. **Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:** (19.15.17.13.D NMAC)
Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.
Disposal Facility Name: Gandy Marley Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM 01-0019
Disposal Facility Name: Control Recovery Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM 01-006
Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that will not be used for future service and operations?
☒ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:
☒ 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 I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

6. **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 belief.
Name (Print): Lisa Hunt Title: Regulatory Analyst
Signature: Lisa Hunt Date: 05/17/2013
e-mail address: lhunt@celeroenergy.com Telephone: (432)686-1883

7. **OCD Approval:** ☐ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only)

OCD Representative Signature: _____

Approval Date: _____

Title: _____

OCD Permit Number: _____

8. **Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** Subsection K of 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. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.

☐ Closure Completion Date: _____

9. **Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:**

Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.

Disposal Facility Name: _____

Disposal Facility Permit Number: _____

Disposal Facility Name: _____

Disposal Facility Permit Number: _____

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:

☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation

☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

10.

Operator Closure Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): Lisa Hunt

Title: Regulatory Analyst

Signature: _____

Date: _____

e-mail address: lhunt@celeroenergy.com

Telephone: (432)686-1883

Attachment to NMOCD Form C-144 CLEZ, Items number 4 and 5.

Design Plan

Workover fluids will be circulated to and from the well through appropriate piping using steel tanks, pump trucks, water transports, and or vacuum trucks of adequate volume for the operation. No cuttings are expected to be produced during the operation.

Fencing is not required for an above-ground, closed-loop system. The site will have a sign in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC.

Operating and Maintenance Plan

Steel tanks, pump trucks, water transports, and/or vacuum trucks, and related piping will be maintained to contain fluids. The equipment will be periodically inspected each day for leaks. The NMOCD District Office will be notified within 48 hours of the discovery of any leak in the equipment. Operations will be suspended and repairs will be started immediately upon the discovery of any leak. Hazardous waste, miscellaneous solid waste or debris will not be discharged into or stored in trucks. Only fluids used in operations will be placed or stored in tanks or trucks.

Closure Plan

Steel tanks, pump trucks, transports, vacuum trucks, and related piping will be properly maintained. Workover fluids will be hauled to *(SWD Facility from list)* during and after rig operations. All service equipment necessary for operations will be removed from the site at the conclusion of operations. The site will be reclaimed and re-vegetated once the well is permanently abandoned.

Site Reclamation

Ocotillo Environmental of Hobbs, New Mexico will reclaim the site. All above-ground equipment in addition to anchors/deadmen will be removed. Soil cover will be the greater of one foot or that which will match the background thickness of topsoil. Soil cover will match the existing grade of the site and will be placed to prevent ponding and erosion of the cover. The area will be re-vegetated using the *(State/BLM)* land mix which is appropriate for the area. The NMOCD will be notified of seeding and when re-vegetation is successful.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Roswell Field Office

2909 West Second Street

Roswell, New Mexico 88201

(575) 627-0272

**Permanent Abandonment of Federal Wells
Conditions of Approval**

Failure to comply with the following Conditions of Approval may result in a Notice of Incidents of Noncompliance (INC) in accordance with 43 CFR 3163.1.

1. Plugging operations shall commence within **ninety (90)** days from the approval date of this Notice of Intent to Abandon. **If you are unable to plug the well by the 90th day provide the BLM Roswell Field Office (RFO), prior to the 90th day, with the reason for not meeting the deadline and a date when the BLM Roswell Field Office can expect the well to be plugged. Failure to do so will result in enforcement action. Unless the well has been properly plugged, the rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.**

2. Notification: Contact the BLM Roswell Field Office at least 24 hours prior to the commencing of any plugging operations. For wells in Chaves and Roosevelt County, during office hours or after office hours call (575) 627-0205. Engineer on call during office hours phone (575) 627-0275 or phone (after hours) call (575) 626-5749.

3. Blowout Preventers: A blowout preventer (BOP), as appropriate, shall be installed before commencing any plugging operation. The minimum BOP requirement is a 2M system for a well not deeper than 9090 feet; a 3M system for a well not deeper than 13636 feet; and a 5M system for a well not deeper than 22727 feet.

4. Mud Requirement: Mud shall be placed between all plugs. Minimum consistency of plugging mud shall be obtained by mixing at a rate of 25 sacks (50 pounds each) of gel per 100 barrels of water. Minimum nine (9) pounds per gallon.

5. Cement Requirement: Sufficient cement shall be used to bring any required plug to the specified depth and length. Any given cement volumes on the proposed plugging procedure are merely estimates and not final. Unless specific approval is received, no plug except the surface plug shall be less than 25 sacks of cement. In lieu of a cement plug in cased hole, a bridge plug set within 50 feet to 100 feet above the perforations shall be capped with 50 feet of cement. If a bailer is used to cap this plug, 35 feet of cement shall be sufficient.

Unless otherwise specified in the approved procedure, the cement plug shall consist of either class "C" for up to 7500 feet of depth, mixed at 14.8 lbs./gal with 6.3 gallons of fresh water per sack or class "H" for deeper than 7500 feet plugs, mixed at 16.4 lbs./gal with 4.3 gallons of fresh water per sack.

6. Dry Hole Marker: All casing shall be cut-off at the base of the cellar or 3 feet below final restored ground level (whichever is deeper). The well bore shall then be capped with a 4-inch pipe, 10 feet in length, 4 feet above the ground and embedded in cement. The following information shall be permanently inscribed on the dry hole marker: Well name and number, the name of the operator, the lease serial number, the surveyed location (the quarter-quarter section, section, township and range or other authorized survey designation acceptable to the authorized officer; such as metes and bounds).

7. Subsequent Plugging Reporting: Within 30 days after plugging work is completed, file one original and five copies of the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, Form 3160-5 to the BLM Roswell Field Office. The report should give in detail the manner in which the plugging work was carried out, the extent (by depths) of cement plugs placed, and the size and location (by depths) of casing left in the well. **Show date well was plugged.**

Following the submittal and approval of the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, a Notice of Intent for Final Abandonment with the proposed surface restoration procedure must be submitted for approval.