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Form C-144 CLEZ  
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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 NMOCD 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: Caza Operating, LLC OGRID #: 249099  
Address: 200 N. Loraine, Suite 1550, Midland, Texas 79701  
Facility or well name: Caza Ridge 14 State # 4H  
API Number: 30-025-40936 OCD Permit Number: P1-05637  
U/L or Qtr/Qtr P SE/SE Section 14 Township 23 S Range 34 E County: Lea  
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 32.298141 N Longitude 103.433951 W 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: 30-025-40621  
☒ Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: 30-025-40621

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: R-360 Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM 01-0006  
Disposal Facility Name: Parabo "Sundance" Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM 01- 0003  
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

#### **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): Richard L. Wright Title: Operations Manager  
Signature: Richard L. Wright Date: 1-10-2012  
e-mail address: rwright@cazapetro.com Telephone: 432 682 7424 Ext 1006

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

OCD Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Date: 01/25/13

Title: Petroleum Engineer

OCD Permit Number: P1-05637

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): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_



**Caza Ridge 14 State # 4H  
SE/SE Sec 14, T23S, R34E  
Lea County, New Mexico**

**Closed Loop Drilling System**

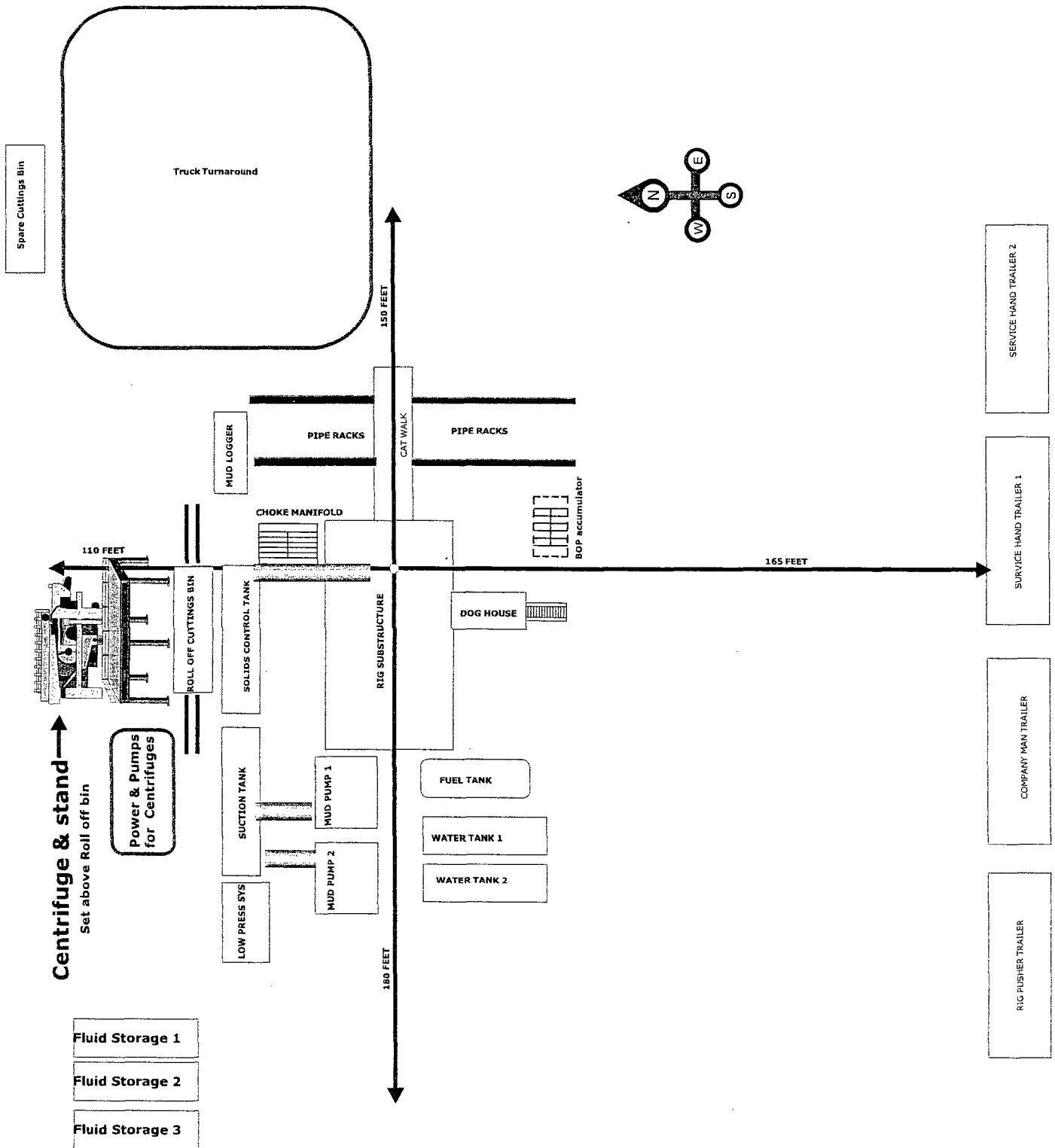
**Operations and Maintenance Plan**

Closed Loop equipment will be inspected and monitored closely on a daily basis by each drilling rig Tour and by those hired specifically to operate the equipment. Any leak or release detected will be repaired immediately and the proper NMOCD official will be notified within the 48 hr requirement. A large release will require Caza Operating, LLC representatives to contact NMOCD immediately at the Hobbs office 575 393 6161 as stated by NMOCD rule 116.

**Closure Plan**

During and after drilling operations, liquids (which apply), all drill cuttings and drilling fluids will be hauled and disposed of at the Sundance disposal (permit number NM-01-0003) located about 3 miles East of Eunice, New Mexico. An alternate approved disposal site has been selected "R-360 " which is 30 miles East of Carlsbad. It's number is NM-01-0006. The Second site would only be used in the event of problems with Sundance disposal.

# Closed Loop Oil Well Caza Ridge 14 St # 4H



Note: The Rig and Closed System Company for this well have not been selected thus the set up shown is simply generic.