

HOBBS OCD

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1090 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

MAY 29 2013

RECEIVED

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 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: Chevron USA, Inc. OGRID #: 4323
Address: 15 Smith Road Midland, TX 79705
Facility or well name: NEREID 1 FEDERAL 3H
API Number: 30-013-005-29206 OCD Permit Number: PI 06287
U/L or Qtr/Qtr H Section 1 Township 15S Range 31E County: EDDY Charles
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 33.046798 Longitude 103.766290 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: CRI Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM-01-0006
Disposal Facility Name: SUNDANCE DISPOSAL 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

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): Bryan Arrant (Agent for Chevron) Title: Regulatory Specialist II

Signature: [Signature] Date: 03/22/2013

e-mail address: bryan.arrant@chk.com Telephone: (405)935-3782

MAY 30 2013

7. **OCD Approval:** ☐ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only)
OCD Representative Signature: _____ Approval Date: 05/29/13
Title: Petroleum Engineer OCD Permit Number: P1-06287

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 indentify 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: _____

Closed Loop System

**NEREID 1 FEDERAL 3H
Unit H, Sec. 1, T-15-S R-31-E
Eddy, Co., NM
API# 30-015-**

Plans are to use a closed loop system with roll off bins in the drilling of this well. Operator will maintain all liquids and solids within the closed loop system in a safe manner in order to protect public health and the environment.

Operations and Maintenance:

During each tour, the rig's crew will inspect and monitor the drilling fluids contained within the tank and monitor any spill which may occur. Should a spill, release or leak occur; the NMOCD District II office in Artesia (575.748.1283) will be notified. Please note that notifications may be made earlier to the district office should a greater release occur in compliance with NMOCD's rules.

Closure:

During and after drilling operations, any fluids and solids will be transported to Controlled Recovery, Inc. Permit # NM-01-0006.

The alternative disposal facility will be at Sundance Disposal. Permit # NM-01-0003.