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Mr. Larry Johnson Environmental Engineer Specialist New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1625 North French Drive Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

## Re: G.L. Erwin A Federal # 5: NMLC032874A, S 35, T 24 S, R 37 E. G.L. Erwin A Federal # 6: NMLC032874A, S 35, T 24 S, R 37 E.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

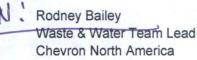
Chevron has been contacted by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requesting revegetation of the closed drilling pits for the G.L. Erwin A # 5 & # 6. These pits were in service, and closed, in 1990 and 1996 respectively, with closure plans for both sites approved by the NMOCD. Chevron's BLM approved suggested reclamation is provided below:

- Install 20 mil LLDPE liner with 18 inch anchor trench over prepared surface of former drilling pit site.
- Liner over pit will be capped with 2ft. of caliche and 1ft. of topsoil (or 3ft. of topsoil ) and contoured to blend as much as possible with surrounding habitat. (Capping of the closed drilling pit with a liner will stop future downward migration of contaminants.)
- Apply BLM seed mixture # 1.
- Contact the BLM at least three business days prior to beginning installation of the liner and three business days prior to seeding.

We anticipate starting this work the week of September 2. Please contact me at your earliest convenience at 432-687-7123 or <u>bailerg@chevron.com</u> if you have any concerns with the direction BLM has requested and we suggest taking with this project.

Sincerely,

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DENIED

NMOD RULES DO NOT ALLOW FOR PARTIAL RECLAMATION' OF ANY PIT & THIS TIME. FULL RECLAMATION IS REQUIRED. B. 29.08

CC: BLM