

**Western Refining Southwest LLC**

A subsidiary of Marathon Petroleum Corporation

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July 29, 2021

Mr. Kevin Pierard, Chief  
New Mexico Environment Department  
Hazardous Waste Bureau  
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**RE: Request for Extension, Response to Disapproval, Natural Attenuation Assessment and Proposed Work Plan for the Hydrocarbon Seep Area, French Drain Soil Sampling Investigation Work Plan**  
**Western Refining Southwest LLC, Marathon Gallup Refinery**  
**EPA ID# NMD000333211, HWB-WRG-20-023**

Dear Mr. Pierard:

Western Refining Southwest LLC (dba Marathon Gallup Refinery [Refinery]) is requesting an extension for submittal of the monitored natural attenuation assessment and work plan response to the New Mexico Environment Department disapproval letter dated January 26, 2021. The basis for the extension is to incorporate an expanded data set and perform additional statistical analyses. These additional data will be used to demonstrate that the evaluation is complete and addresses the data gaps identified in the NMED comments. Because of this effort, the refinery is requesting an additional four weeks to finalize the report. The Refinery proposes to submit the response to disapproval and the revised work plan by August 27, 2021.

If there are any questions, please call Mr. John Moore at (505) 879-7643.

Certification

*I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.*

Sincerely,

**Western Refining Southwest LLC, Marathon Gallup Refinery***Ruth A. Cade*

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CONDITIONS

Action 39702

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Operator: Western Refining Southwest LLC 539 South Main Street Findlay, OH 45840	OGRID: 267595
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**CONDITIONS**

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