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**Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD**

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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 30, 2008 10:48 AM  
**To:** 'Hack Conder'  
**Cc:** 'Katie Lee'  
**Subject:** 1R428-58 Termination

**RE: "Closure Report Addendum"  
for the Rice Operating Company's  
Hobbs SWD F-33 Vent Site  
Unit Letter F, Section 33, T18S, R38E, Lea County, New Mexico  
Remediation Plan (1R428-58) Termination**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the closure report addendum for the Hobbs SWD F-33 Vent Site, dated October 24, 2008, and has conducted a review of the report addendum. The closure report addendum, submitted for the above reference site, indicates that the Rice Operating Company has completed the closure requirements. Therefore, the OCD hereby approves the closure report and the addendum and gives notice that the Remediation Plan (1R-428-58) is terminated.

Please be advised that NMOCD approval of this report does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility should operations pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

Edward J. Hansen  
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10/30/2008

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October 24, 2008

Mr. Ed Hansen  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: NMOCD Case # 1R0428-58, F-33 Vent  
Closure Report Addendum  
Hobbs SWD System Abandonment

Dear Mr. Hansen:

This letter is in response to your September 16<sup>th</sup> request via email for a final Closure Report Addendum by November 17, 2008. Rice Operating Company has fenced and re-seeded the above-referenced site. Fencing will keep rabbits and traffic off the site to allow vegetation to get established. Photo documentation of this work is presented below.

Installing fencing at Hobbs SWD F-33 Vent



F-33 with fence complete



F-33 After Re-seeding





The attached disturbed area report shows the area enclosed by the fence and documents that twenty bags of composted manure were applied to the site 9/29/08 and a total of 7.5 lbs of seed was applied 10/3/08.

Thank you for your time and attention. If you have any questions, please contact me at our Albuquerque office or Hack Conder at the ROC office in Hobbs.

Sincerely,  
R.T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd.

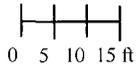
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Katie Lee".

Katie Lee  
Project Scientist

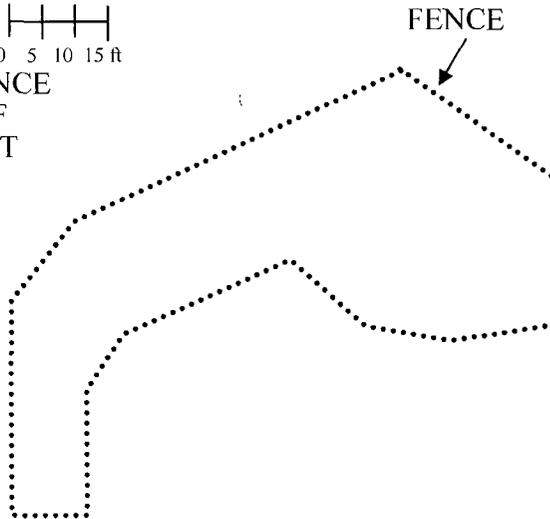
Copy: Rice Operating Company  
Hobbs NMOCD Office

# Disturbed Area Report

System: **HOBBS** Location: **F-33** Landowner: **STATE**  
UL/ F Sec **33** - T **18S** - R **38E** GW: **30ft**  
GPS: Lat & Lon / NAD27  
Surface 5pt. Comp: 3'bgs 5pt. Comp:  
Size & Sq. ft. of effected area: **2500 sq ft**  
Date backfilled: Date Seeded: **10/3/08**  
Amount of seed used: **0.5 LB LEA CO. MIX, 5 LBS BEARDLESS WHEAT**  
**2 LBS WILDFLOWER MIX (DROUGHT RESISTANT TYPE)**



NOTE: CHICKEN WIRE FENCE  
PUT IN 9/29/08; 20 BAGS OF  
COMPOSTED MANURE PUT  
DOWN 9/29/08.



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REPORT PREPARED BY: TONY GRIECO DATE: 10/16/08