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**General Correspondence**

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**VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD**

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**From:** Gwen Frost [gfrost@animasenvironmental.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2007 2:29 PM  
**To:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Elizabeth McNally  
**Subject:** Thriftway Refinery, Bloomfield, NM  
**Attachments:** Modification Section 1 041907.pdf; Figure 1A Topographical Site Location Map LET PORT (1).pdf

Mr. von Gonten:

Please find the attached files containing the revision of Section 1 of the *Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Report* for the Thriftway Refinery, located at 626 County Road 5500, Bloomfield, NM, dated March 30, 2007.

*Gwen Frost*

**Environmental Geochemist,  
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**Rocky Top Ranch**

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**Phone:** 505-476-3480      **Date:** 10/19/2006

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**Re:** Closure Approval Jalmat Yates Unit,      **CC:**  
Well #31

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**• Comments:** Copy of letter to COG Operating LLC for your review and files. Please give copy to Wayne Price.

Clay and Jeri Osborn  
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October 19, 2006

Mr. Erick Nelson  
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RE: Closure Approval Jalmat Yates Unit, Well #31

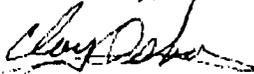
Dear Mr. Nelson:

Mr. Ike Tavarez called me on 10/18/06 about purchasing topsoil for back fill for your Jalmat Yates Unit Well #31 cleanup. I have topsoil for \$5.00 per yard to sell but please be advised that I do not approve of the closure plan and have several concerns.

1. At three feet (3') deep the 40 mil synthetic liner will not be deep enough to prevent future breaches of the liner in event pipelines, fencing, electric power lines or other diggings that may occur on this location.
2. Without borehole test up gradient and down gradient of the location, vertical and horizontal extent of the pollution cannot be fully known.
3. The remedial work plan according to Highlander Environment Corp. is based on a visual inspection and two (2) boreholes, installed on the east and west side of the location.
4. With the liner at three feet deep native grass may not sustain growth with a shallow root zone.
5. With the leak occurring in February 2005 and with the slow remediation and now winter coming on we will not have grass to graze cattle at this site until late next year.

Please be advised that we will hold COG Operating LLC responsible for any future damages to the liner and our nonuse of this property.

Yours truly,



Clay Osborn

cc: Craig Lewis - Attorney  
Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. - Director NMOCD  
Ike Tavarez, P.G. - Highlander Environmental Corp.  
[Via fax]