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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 13, 2011 3:13 PM  
**To:** 'Hack Conder'  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Katie Jones'  
**Subject:** Soil Closure Approval (1R425-66) - ROC Vacuum L-26 Vent Site

**RE: "Initial CAP Report – Liner Installation"  
for the Rice Operating Company's  
Vacuum L-26 Vent Site (1R425-66)  
Unit Letter L, Section 26, T17S, R35E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Soil Closure Approval**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Rice Operating Company's (ROC) report of the soil closure of the above-referenced site (dated August 2, 2011). The above-referenced report, submitted in fulfillment of 19.15.29 NMAC (Rule 29, formally, Rule 116), indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has partially met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC for this site. Therefore, the OCD hereby conditionally approves the soil closure for the Vacuum L-26 Vent Site and no further soil remediation is required for this site.

The Vacuum L-26 Vent Site is still active under Remediation Plan, 1R425-66, and additional groundwater monitoring wells must be installed within 120 days.

Please be advised that OCD partial 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, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact at 505-476-3489.

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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 6:29 PM  
**To:** Hack Conder  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Katie Jones'; 'Katie Lee'  
**Subject:** Corrective Action Plan (1R425-66) Approval - ROC Vacuum L-26 Vent Site

**RE: Corrective Action Plan for the Rice Operating Company's  
Vacuum L-26 Vent Site  
Unit Letter L, Section 26, T17S, R35E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Corrective Action Plan (1R425-66) Approval**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Corrective Action Plan for the Vacuum L-26 Vent Site, dated September 14, 2010 (and addendum, dated April 1, 2011) and has conducted a review of the Plan. The Plan indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC (Part 29; formerly, Rule 116) for a remediation plan. Therefore, the OCD hereby conditionally approves the Corrective Action Plan as proposed for above-referenced site in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC:

ROC must submit to the OCD an initial report of the corrective actions within 120 days.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this Plan 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, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

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