

**1RP-426-214**

**Monitor Well  
Plugging Report**

**DATE:**

**December 17, 2013**

# **RICE** *Operating Company*

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**December 17, 2013**

**Mr. Leonard Lowe**

New Mexico Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau  
1220 S. St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: **Monitoring Well Plugging and Abandonment Report  
BD F-26 vent (1R426-214): Unit F, Section 26, T21S, R37E  
Rice Operating Company – Blinebry Drinkard (BD) SWD System**

Mr. Lowe:

ROC submits the following Monitoring Well Plugging and Abandonment Report for the BD F-26 vent site. ROC is the service provider (agent) for the BD SWD System and has no ownership of any portion of the pipeline, well, or facility. The system is owned by a consortium of oil producers, System Parties, who provide all operating capital on a percentage ownership/usage basis.

On September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013, RECS personnel were on site to supervise the plugging and abandonment of the near-source well, MW-1. According to the Termination Request, approved on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013, MW-1 was plugged with a 1-3% bentonite/concrete slurry and a three foot concrete cap and the up-gradient well (MW-2) will remain open to monitor up-gradient groundwater quality.

ROC acknowledges they have met the requirements in accordance of 19.15.29 NMAC (Part 29; formally Rule 116), and the remediation plan (1R426-214) is terminated in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC and no further action is required.

ROC appreciates the opportunity to work with you on this project. Please call Hack Conder or me at (575) 393-2967 if you have any questions or wish to discuss the site.

Sincerely,



Katie Jones  
Environmental Project Manager  
*RICE Operating Company*

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### Plugging Report

Client	Rice Operating
Contractor	Harrison & Cooper
Date Completed	9/18/2013
Site	BD F-26 vent
Well ID	MW-1
Casing Diameter	2"
Well Depth	56'
Casing Material	PVC
Plugging Material	Portland/Bentonite Slurry
Slurry Interval	3'-56'
Cement Interval	0'-3'

Copies: File  
Email (Rice)

**BD F-26 vent (1R426-214)**  
**Unit Letter F, Section 26, T21S, R37E**



Pulling MW-1, facing north 9/18/13



Backfilling bore with a 1-3% bentonite/concrete slurry and a 3 ft concrete cap, facing southwest 9/18/13



MW-1 plugged and abandoned, facing south 9/18/13

**From:** [Katie Jones](#)  
**To:** [Lowe, Leonard, EMNRD](#)  
**Cc:** [Hack Conder](#); [VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD](#); [Laura Flores](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Remediation Plan (1R426-214) Termination - ROC BD F-26 Vent Site  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 17, 2013 1:49:07 PM  
**Attachments:** [ROC - BD F-26 vent \(1R426-214\) MW Plugging Report.pdf](#)  
[ROC Flow Chart.pdf](#)

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Mr. Lowe,

Attached is a Monitoring Well Plugging Report for the BD F-26 vent site. ROC acknowledges that the remediation plan (1R426-214) is terminated in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC and no further action is required. Please let me know if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you.  
Katie

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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD [mailto:[edwardj.hansen@state.nm.us](mailto:edwardj.hansen@state.nm.us)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013 3:22 PM  
**To:** Hack Conder  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; Laura Pena; Katie Jones; Scott Curtis  
**Subject:** Remediation Plan (1R426-214) Termination - ROC BD F-26 Vent Site

**RE: CAP Report and Termination Request  
for the Rice Operating Company's  
BD F-26 Vent Site  
Unit Letter F, Section 26, T21S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Remediation Plan (1R426-214) Termination**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Rice Operating Company's report and request to close the above-referenced site, dated September 10, 2013 (received September 16, 2013). The report is acceptable to the OCD.

The above-referenced report, submitted in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC (Rule 29; formally, Rule 116), indicates that Rice Operating Company has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC; therefore, the OCD approves the report and hereby notifies you that the remediation plan (1R426-214) is terminated in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Please be advised that OCD 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.

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

Edward J. Hansen  
Hydrologist  
Environmental Bureau