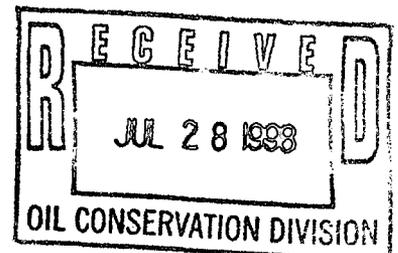


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July 27, 1998

To: Bill Olson

From: Wayne Price

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wayne Price".

Bill:

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter Dated July 16, 1998.

The Stevens property site is not Site #8.

The District I office has been handling the Stevens property site. This is the one that TNMPL had a non-reported spill on top of an old Chevron battery site called (Keenan). TNMPL was issue an "NOV" from our office and they have provided training and is in the process of removing their part of the contamination. TNMPL & Chevron are working out an agreement.

Please note this is where we learned that Chevron has only been remediating the top 24" on all of their clean-up projects. Chris & I have had discussions with Chevron on this issue. We basically told them NMOCD could not give closure on these projects. Also they agreed to submit an area wide plan for our approval. As of this date they have not done that. There was an issue brought up by Chevron as to our legal authority concerning historical spills. We referenced the Oil & Act.

After TNMPL is complete then Chevron will continue their investigation and clean-up plan. If groundwater is impacted then they have been notified this will be handled out of Santa Fe. Preliminary soil borings by Chevron indicated moist soil in their samples however they did not leave the hole open long enough to determine if free water was present. I will make sure this is done when they re-investigate.

cc: Chris Williams

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