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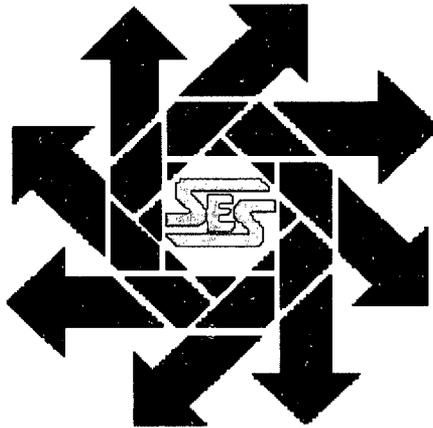
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**Saga Petroleum LLC  
State AE Battery  
Site Investigation  
Section 36, Township 16S, Range 36E  
Lea County, New Mexico**

**January 29, 2004**



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**I. Background**

Safety & Environmental Solutions, Inc. (SESI) was contracted by Saga Petroleum LLC to perform a site investigation of the State AE Battery. The subject area is located in Section 36, Township 16S, Range 36E in Lea County, New Mexico. (See Figure 1) This site was used as a produced fluid storage area. The site has been abandoned and the storage tanks and vessels have been removed.

**II. Surface and Ground Water**

According to the database provided by the New Mexico State Engineer's Office there is no groundwater of record in Section 36, Township 16S, Range 36E. The nearest groundwater of record is in Section 1, Township 17S, Range 36 E, in Lea County, New Mexico the depth of water is approximately 83 feet in depth. This measurement was taken May 5, 1992. On January 28, 2004, SESI installed a groundwater monitor well at the Apollo Salt Water Disposal Facility which is located approximately 1/2 to 3/4 of a mile to the south of this location. Groundwater was encountered in this well at approximately 95'. A City of Lovington water well is located approximately 430' southeast of this location.

**III. Soils**

The soils in the area are predominantly sand and sandy loam.

**IV. Work Performed**

**Drilling of Boreholes**

On December 29, 2003 SESI drilled 4 boreholes at the State AE Battery Site. See Figure 2 for location of boreholes. All boreholes were drilled to a depth of 10 feet. Grab samples were retrieved from each borehole at the bottom depth. The samples were properly preserved and transported under chain of Custody to Cardinal Laboratories of Hobbs, New Mexico for analysis. All samples were analyzed for Chlorides (EPA methods 4500-ClB), TPH (EPA method 418.1), and BTEX (EPA Method SW-846 8260). The results of the analysis are as follows:

ID	Cl <sup>-</sup>	TPH	Benzene	Toluene	Ethyl Benzene	Total Xylenes
BH-1 10"	432	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
BH-2 10'	288	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
BH-3 10'	336	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
BH-4 10'	336	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015

**V. Conclusions and Recommendations**

The results of the analysis indicate that the vertical extent of TPH or chloride contamination does not exceed 10' in depth. It is recommended that all highly contaminated and/or saturated soils be removed and transported to an approved NMOCD disposal facility. The remaining soils with TPH levels above 1000 ppm will be excavated and blended on site with clean soils from off site. In order to protect the City

of Lovington water well to the southeast, the horizontal extent of contamination will be determined by excavation and all soils with TPH levels above 100 ppm will be removed horizontally to the depth of the excavation stated above. The soils will be blended to a TPH level no greater than 1000 ppm. The excavation will be backfilled with the blended soils and returned to normal grade.

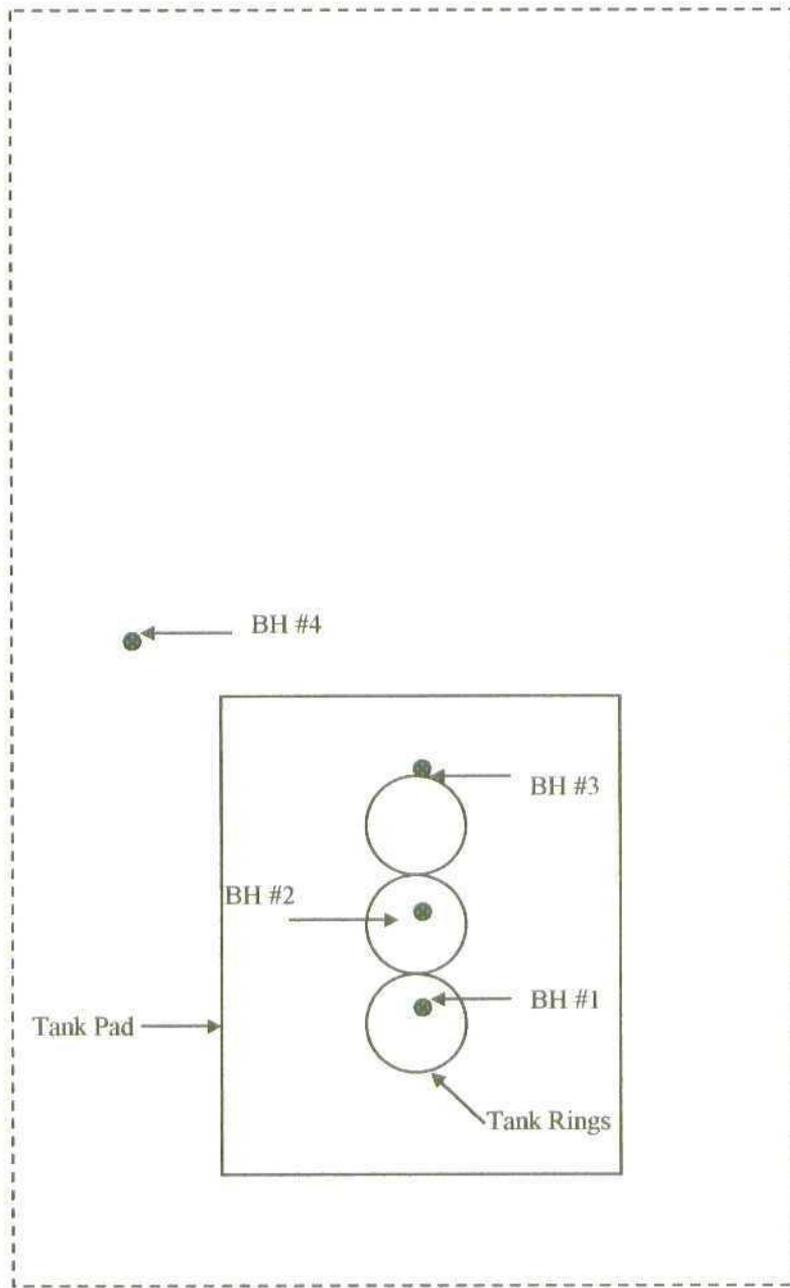
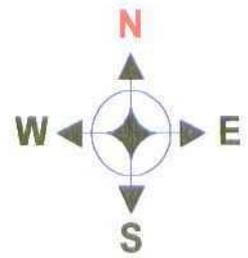
**VI. Figures & Appendices**

- Figure 1 - Vicinity Map
- Figure 2 - Site Plan
- Figure 3 - Log of Boring
- Appendix A - Analytical Results
- Appendix B - Site Photos

**Figure 1  
Vicinity Map**



**Figure 2  
Site Plan**



Not To Scale

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State AE Battery  
Section 36, T16S, R36E  
Lea County, New Mexico



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**Figure 3  
Log of Boring**



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# LOG OF BORING BH-1

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Saga Petroleum LLC  
State AE Battery  
S36, T16S, R36E  
Lea County, New Mexico

Date Started : 12/29/03  
Date Completed : 12/29/03  
Hole Diameter : 8 1/4 in.  
Drilling Method : Hollow Stem Auger  
Drilling Equipment : CME-75

Sampling Method : Cuttings, core barrel  
Drilled By : Eco Drilling  
Logged By : Bob Allen  
Company Rep. : Bruce Woodard

Depth in Feet	USCS	GRAPHIC	DESCRIPTION	Lab No.	Samples	TPH (mg/Kg)	Benzene (mg/Kg)	Toluene (mg/Kg)	Ethyl Benzene (mg/Kg)	Total Xylenes (mg/Kg)	Chlorides (mg/Kg)
0											
1	SP/CA		Tank Pad Material Stained Black								
2											
3											
4	CA		Caliche Gray Streaked Black								
5											
6	CA		Caliche								
7											
8	SP		Pink Sand								
9											
10				H8305-1	+	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015	432

Notes:  
Plugged back to surface with bentonite upon completion



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## LOG OF BORING BH-2

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Lea County, New Mexico

Date Started : 12/29/03  
Date Completed : 12/29/03  
Hole Diameter : 8 1/4 in.  
Drilling Method : Hollow Stem Auger  
Drilling Equipment : CME-75

Sampling Method : Cuttings, core barrel  
Drilled By : Eco Drilling  
Logged By : Bob Allen  
Company Rep. : Bruce Woodard

Depth in Feet	USCS	GRAPHIC	DESCRIPTION	Lab No.	Samples	TPH (mg/Kg)	Benzene (mg/Kg)	Toluene (mg/Kg)	Ethyl Benzene (mg/Kg)	Total Xylenes (mg/Kg)	Chlorides (mg/Kg)
0											
1											
2											
3	SP/CA		Tank Pad Material Heavey Stains & Odor								
4											
5											
6	CA		Caliche								
7											
8	SP		Pink Sand								
9											
10				H8305-2	—	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015	288

Notes:  
Plugged back to surface with bentonite upon completion



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# LOG OF BORING BH-3

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 Drilling Method : Hollow Stem Auger  
 Drilling Equipment : CME-75

Sampling Method : Cuttings, core barrel  
 Drilled By : Eco Drilling  
 Logged By : Bob Allen  
 Company Rep. : Bruce Woodard

Depth in Feet	USCS	GRAPHIC	DESCRIPTION	Lab No.	Samples	TPH (mg/Kg)	Benzene (mg/Kg)	Toluene (mg/Kg)	Ethyl Benzene (mg/Kg)	Total Xylenes (mg/Kg)	Chlorides (mg/Kg)
0											
1	SP/CA		Tank Pad Material Heavey Stains & Odor								
2											
3											
4	CA		Caliche Dark Streaks & Odor								
5											
6	CA		Caliche								
7											
8	SP		Pink Sand								
9											
10				H8305-3	+	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015	336

Notes:  
 Plugged back to surface with bentonite upon completion



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# LOG OF BORING BH-4

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Date Started : 12/29/03  
 Date Completed : 12/29/03  
 Hole Diameter : 8 1/4 in.  
 Drilling Method : Hollow Stem Auger  
 Drilling Equipment : CME-75

Sampling Method : Cuttings, core barrel  
 Drilled By : Eco Drilling  
 Logged By : Bob Allen  
 Company Rep. : Bruce Woodard

Depth in Feet	USCS	GRAPHIC	DESCRIPTION	Lab No.	Samples	TPH (mg/Kg)	Benzene (mg/Kg)	Toluene (mg/Kg)	Ethyl Benzene (mg/Kg)	Total Xylenes (mg/Kg)	Chlorides (mg/Kg)
0											
1	SP/CA		Hard Pad Top Soil Odor								
2											
3											
4	CA		Caliche Dark Stains								
5											
6											
7											
8	SP		Pink Sand								
9											
10				H8305-4	←	<10	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015	336

Notes:  
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# **Appendix A Analytical Results**



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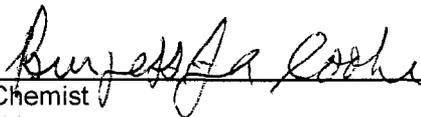
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ATTN: BOB ALLEN  
703 E. CLINTON, #103  
HOBBS, NM 88240  
FAX TO: (505) 393-4388

Receiving Date: 12/30/03  
Reporting Date: 01/05/04  
Project Number: SAG-03-002  
Project Name: STATE AE  
Project Location: LOVINGTON, NM

Sampling Date: 12/29/03  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: AH  
Analyzed By: BC

LAB NUMBER	SAMPLE ID	BENZENE (mg/Kg)	TOLUENE (mg/Kg)	ETHYL BENZENE (mg/Kg)	TOTAL XYLENES (mg/Kg)
ANALYSIS DATE		01/02/04	01/02/04	01/02/04	01/02/04
H8305-1	B.H. #1 10'	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
H8305-2	B.H. #2 10'	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
H8305-3	B.H. #3 10'	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
H8305-4	B.H. #4 10'	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.015
Quality Control		0.098	0.101	0.100	0.311
True Value QC		0.100	0.100	0.100	0.300
% Recovery		98.4	101	99.5	104.0
Relative Percent Difference		5.9	2.9	4.8	2.1

METHOD: EPA SW-846 8260

  
Chemist

1/5/04  
Date

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Reporting Date: 12/31/03  
Project Number: SAG03002  
Project Name: STATE AE  
Project Location: LOVINGTON, NM

Sampling Date: 12/29/03  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: AH  
Analyzed By: AH/HM

LAB NUMBER	SAMPLE ID	TPH (ppm)	CI (ppm)
ANALYSIS DATE:		12/30/03	12/30/03
H8305-1	B.H. #1 10'	<10	432
H8305-2	B.H. #2 10'	<10	288
H8305-3	B.H. #3 10'	<10	336
H8305-4	B.H. #4 10'	<10	336
Quality Control		243	940
True Value QC		240	1000
% Recovery		101	94.0
Relative Percent Difference		4.6	1.4
METHODS: EPA 600/4-79-02		418.1	SM 4500 Cl <sup>-</sup> B

Amy Hill  
Chemist

12/31/03  
Date

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### ANALYSIS REQUEST

**BILL TO**

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Project Manager: Bob Allen

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City: Hobbs State: NM Zip: 88240

Phone #: 505-847-0510 Fax #: 505-393-4388

Project #: SAG-03-002 Project Owner:

Project Name: STATE AE

Project Location: Lovington N.M.

Sampler Name: Bob Allen

FOR LAB USE ONLY

P.O. #: SAME  
Company:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone #:

Fax #:

Lab I.D.	Sample I.D.	(G)RAB OR (C)OMP.	# CONTAINERS	MATRIX						DATE	TIME	ANALYSIS REQUEST
				GROUNDWATER	WASTEWATER	SOIL	CRUDE OIL	SLUDGE	OTHER :			
H8305-1	B.H. #1 10'	G	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	29 Dec	11:20p	BTEX				
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	-3 B.H. #3 10'	G	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	29 Dec	12:50p	Chlorides				
	-4 R.H. #4 10'	G	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	29 Dec	2:00p					

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Sampler Relinquished:

Received By:

Date: 30 Dec 03

Received By: (Lab Staff) [Signature]

Relinquished By: [Signature]

Date: 30 Dec 03

Delivered By: (Circle One)

Sample Condition

Sampler - UPS - Bds - Other:

Cool  Intact

Checked By: (Initials)

Checked By: [Initials]

Phone Result:  Yes  No Add'l Phone #:  
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# **Appendix B Site Photos**



Storage Tanks Prior to Removal



Horizontal Water Knockout Prior to Removal



Tank Pad & Boreholes



Borehole #1 10' Core



Borehole #1 10' Core End



Borehole #2 5' Core



Borehole #2 10' Core



Borehole #3 5' Core



Borehole #3 10' Core



Borehole #4 10' Core