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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Mr. William C. Olson  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
2040 South Pacheco  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**RE: January 1999 Progress Report  
Tatum Pit Closure Project  
Lea County, NM**

Dear Mr. Olson:

Please find enclosed additional results from our monitor wells in the subject project area. These results are from water samples taken on January 8, 1999. These samples represent the sixth quarter of monitoring. The total BTEX concentrations continue to decline. We will continue to analyze water samples quarterly from the subject project.

Because the following wells have had at least four consecutive quarters of acceptable BTEX concentrations, we formally request final closure for these projects: Vera (pit and monitor well #5), State NBN (pit and monitor well #7), Iva Com (monitor wells #1 & #2), Mable Com (monitor well #3). Please advise if this request is acceptable.

In response to your January 15, 1999 correspondence, please be advised that we are scheduling the installation of additional monitor wells in accordance with the conditions set forth in your letter. Additionally, we respectfully request an extension until May 1, 1999 to submit our next progress report rather than the April 1 deadline specified in your letter. This will allow us to stay on our current quarterly monitoring schedule. Please advise if this is not acceptable.

If you have any questions, please call me at (303) 293-9379.

Very truly yours,

Larry G. Sugano  
Vice President - Engineering

cc: NMOCD Hobbs Office

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TATUM PIT CLOSURE PROJECT  
WATER SAMPLING RESULTS  
JANUARY, 1999



## **Executive Summary**

### **Iva COM**

#### **Monitor Wells # 1, 2**

No sample from either Iva COM well has ever revealed a BTEX component concentration in excess of standards. Tipperary may request closure of monitor wells nos. 1 and 2. The source well is still producing free product on occasion and has not been tested for BTEX.

### **Mable COM**

#### **Monitor Wells # 3, 4**

Monitor well # 3 has recorded four consecutive quarters of acceptable BTEX concentrations. Tipperary may request closure of this well. Well # 4 has shown two consecutive quarters of acceptable BTEX concentrations. The source well has not been tested for BTEX.

### **Vera**

#### **Monitor Well # 5**

Monitor well # 5 has shown six consecutive quarters of acceptable concentrations. Tipperary may request closure of the pit and monitor well.

### **Bell**

#### **Monitor Wells # 6, 13, 14**

Monitor well # 13 has gone two quarters with acceptable concentrations. Wells # 6 & 14 continue to show benzene concentrations in excess of standards. Such concentrations are consistently trending lower. A delineation well is required for this site.

### **NBN**

#### **Monitor Well # 7**

Monitor well # 7 has shown four consecutive quarters of acceptable concentrations. Tipperary may request closure of the pit and monitor well.

### **NBF**

#### **Monitor Wells # 8, 15, 16**

All well BTEX concentrations exceed standards. A delineation well is required for this site.



**Sohio State # 1**

**Monitor Wells # 10**

Though trending steadily downward, all well sample concentrations exceed standard. A delineation well is required for this site.

**Sohio State "A"**

**Monitor Well # 11, 19, 20**

The benzene concentrations in all three wells are trending sharply downward. At the present rate of decline, wells 19 & 20 will become delineation wells through natural attenuation within six months.

**GS State # 1**

**Monitor Wells # 12, 21, 22**

Monitor well # 12 continues to contain free product. BTEX concentrations in wells 21 & 22 are trending downward though not as sharply as similar sites. Well # 12 should be evaluated for potential as a source well. A delineation well is required for this site.

**Satellite # 4**

**Monitor Wells # 9, 23, 24**

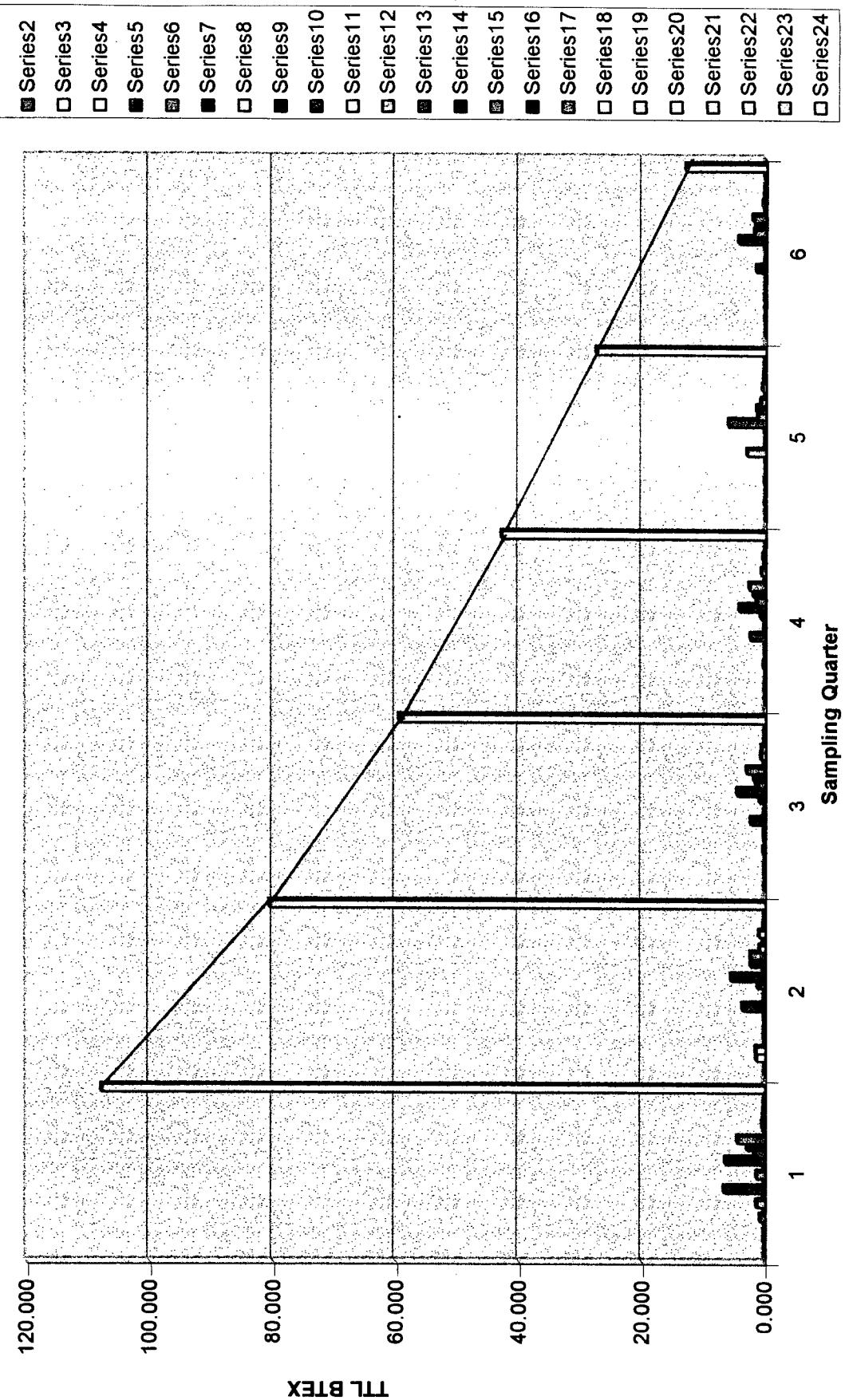
Well # 24 has shown four quarters of acceptable concentrations. The reported benzene concentrations from Well # 23 have been quite erratic but appear to be generally trending downward. Well # 23 presently shows acceptable concentrations. Well # 9 is steadily trending lower in benzene and should fall within acceptable limits within the next few sampling rounds.



**Tipperary Corporation  
Tatum Pit Closure Project  
Quarterly Sampling Comparison**

Well #	9/5/97	12/3/97	3/23/98	6/25/98	10/1/98	1/6/99
1	0.012	0.025	0.022	0.030	0.023	0.011
2	0.005	0.013	0.011	0.010	0.010	0.010
3	0.200	1.387	0.054	0.071	0.093	0.073
4	0.031	1.501	0.047	0.049	0.013	0.019
5	0.019	0.025	0.011	0.037	0.015	0.011
6	0.790	0.068	0.281	0.249	0.141	0.137
7	0.005	0.023	0.017	0.048	0.023	0.008
8	1.377	0.023	0.146	0.058	0.018	0.036
9	0.285	0.123	0.007	0.081	0.050	0.049
10	6.626	3.626	2.292	2.423	3.096	1.532
11	0.122	0.124	0.184	0.141	0.108	0.105
13	1.346	0.010	0.037	0.056	0.017	0.007
14	0.005	1.183	0.918	0.764	0.184	0.161
15	6.432	5.499	4.588	4.189	6.086	4.380
16	1.662	0.256	1.419	1.446	1.287	1.845
17	2.908	2.305	1.863	1.920	1.419	1.665
18	4.498	2.361	3.013	2.601	0.786	2.072
19	0.011	0.875	0.184	0.079	0.082	0.094
20	0.454	0.345	0.658	0.604	0.539	0.390
21	0.287	0.953	0.554	0.198	0.238	0.259
22	0.152	0.200	0.195	0.344	0.144	0.134
23	0.009	0.122	0.106	0.008	0.078	0.014
24	0.009	0.064	0.007	0.017	0.007	0.011
	107.873	80.628	59.517	42.903	27.480	13.023

Tipperary Quarterly Sampling Comparison



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Receiving Date: 01/08/99

Sample Type: Water

Project: None Given

Project Location: Tatum, New Mexico 88237

Analysis Date: 01/08/99

Sampling Date: 01/06 & 01/07/99

Sample Condition: Intact/iced/HCl

ELT#	FIELD CODE	BENZENE (mg/l)	TOLUENE (mg/l)	ETHYLBENZENE (mg/l)	m,p-XYLENE (mg/l)	<i>o</i> -XYLENE (mg/l)
16587	Sohio St. #1 - #17	0.878	0.138	0.094	0.339	0.163
16588	Sohio St. #1 - #18	1.10	0.247	0.107	0.415	0.203
16589	Sohio Sta. M/W #19	0.040	0.014	0.006	0.021	0.013
16590	Sohio Sta. M/W #20	0.341	0.010	0.005	0.026	0.008
16591	GS Sta. M/W #21	0.133	0.010	0.054	0.056	0.006
16592	GS Sta. M/W #22	0.039	0.010	0.020	0.048	0.017
16593	Sat. #4 M/W #23	0.004	0.003	0.001	0.004	0.002
16594	Sat. #4 M/W #24	0.004	0.003	<0.001	0.002	<0.001
16595	Ma Com. M/W #1	0.003	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.004
16596	Ma Com. M/W #2	0.004	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.001
16597	Mable Com. M/W #3	<0.001	0.002	0.012	0.042	0.016
16598	Mable Com. M/W #4	0.007	0.002	0.002	0.006	0.002
16599	Vera M/W #5	0.002	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.002
16600	Bell A M/W #6	0.127	0.001	0.003	0.005	0.001
16601	NBN M/W #7	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001
16602	NBF M/W #8	0.028	0.001	0.003	0.003	<0.001
16603	Sat. 4 M/W #9	0.034	0.003	0.008	0.005	0.001
16604	Sohio St. #1 M/W #10	1.00	0.067	0.156	0.214	0.095
16605	Sohio Sta. M/W #11	0.061	0.011	0.006	0.018	0.012
16606	Bell A M/W #12	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.001
16607	Bell A M/W #14	0.154	<0.001	0.002	0.003	0.001
16608	NBF M/W #15	1.83	1.49	0.182	0.728	0.350
16609	NBF M/W #16	1.47	0.122	0.047	0.144	0.062
% IA		86	85	87	85	87
% EA		90	90	89	88	90
BLANK		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

METHODS: SW 846-8020.5030

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CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY RECORD AND ANALYSIS REQUEST

V.A. VICE, Jr. Whole Earth

Project Manager:

Phone #: 1-800-834-4358  
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ANALYSIS REQUEST

Company Name & Address: <b>Tatum, N.Mex # 88267</b>		Project Name: <b>M/w</b>		Sampler Signature: <b>O. A.</b>	
Project Location: <b>Tatum, N.Mex</b>		Sampling Date: <b>8TEX 81120/5030</b>		Time: <b>418.1</b>	
LAB # (LAB USE) ONLY	FIELD CODE	# CONTAINERS VOLUME/AMOUNT	PRESERVATIVE METHOD		TIME DATE OTHER HNO3 HCl OTHER SLUDGE AIR SOIL WATER
			SAMPLING		
16600	Bell A m/w # 6	2			1/6/99
16601	NBN m/w # 7	2			1/6/99
16602	NBF m/w # 8	2			1/6/99
16603	SAT/Lite 4 - m/w # 9	2			1/6/99
16604	Sono STA - m/w # 10	2			1/7/99
16605	Sono STA - m/w # 11	2			1/7/99
16606	Bell A m/w # 13	2			1/6/99
16607	NBF m/w # 15	1			1/6/99
REMARKS					
Received by: <i>[Signature]</i>		Date: 01-08-99		OBS:	
Re-Expedited by: <i>[Signature]</i>		Date:		Received by:	
Re-Expedited by: <i>[Signature]</i>		Date:		Received by Laboratory:	



Vera

Monitor Well # 5  
Vera # 1  
Sampling Results

Lab. #	12487	13184	14061	14660	15592	16599
Sample Date	9/5/97	12/3/97	2/23/98	6/25/98	10/1/98	1/6/99
Benzene	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.007	0.003	0.002
Toluene	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.006	0.003	0.002
Ethylbenzene	0.002	0.003	0.001	0.005	0.001	0.001
m,p Xylene	0.010	0.014	0.004	0.011	0.004	0.004
o Xylene	0.002	0.005	0.002	0.008	0.004	0.002
Total Xylene	0.012	0.019	0.006	0.019	0.008	0.006
Total BTEX	0.019	0.026	0.011	0.037	0.015	0.011

**Monitor Well # 5**

