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**GENERAL  
CORRESPONDENCE**

**YEAR(S):**  
1997 - 1988

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May 21, 1997

Mr. Roger Anderson  
Chief of Environmental Bureau  
State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
2040 So. Pacheco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

**RE: Groundwater Impact**  
**Amoco Production Company: Riddle F LS #3A - Separator/Compressor pit**  
**Legal Description: Unit F, Sec. 20, T28N, R08W**  
**San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Initial groundwater sample analytical results at the above referenced well site during pit closure activity indicated contamination to be below the State of New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission's regulatory standards for Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and total Xylenes (BTEX). Sampling on the Separator/Compressor pit was conducted May 9, 1997. Depth to groundwater was measured at approximately nine (9) feet below grade. Listed below are summary analytical results for BTEX:

| Parameter     | Sep./Compr. Pit<br>(parts per billion) |
|---------------|--|
| Benzene       | 1.1                                    |
| Toluene       | 5.1                                    |
| Ethylbenzene  | 1.5                                    |
| Total Xylenes | 16.2                                   |

If you have any questions concerning this information, please do not hesitate to contact us at (505) 632-1199. Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Blagg Engineering, Inc.**

  
Jeffrey C. Blagg, P.E.  
President

cc: Denny Foust, Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector, NMOCD, Aztec, NM  
Buddy Shaw, Environmental Coordinator, Amoco Production Company, Farmington, NM

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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June 6, 1988

CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Martin W. Buys  
Tenneco Oil Company  
P. O. Box 3249  
Englewood, Colorado 80155

RE: Ground Water Contamination Sites: Tenneco Valdez A1E  
Tenneco Riddle F LS 3A

Dear Mr. Buys:

On September 17, 1987, the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) personnel augered four 10½'-18' holes at the Valdez A1E well site and discovered ground water contamination in the vicinity of the produced water tank and the separator. You have been sent laboratory analyses and a field map of the well site.

On October 27, 1987, the OCD augered five 13'-16' holes at the Riddle F LS #3A well site and discovered ground water contamination in the vicinity of the dehydrator and tank drain pit. Copies of the laboratory analysis of fluids found in Auger Hole #2 and a field map locating the auger holes in relation to the well site are enclosed.

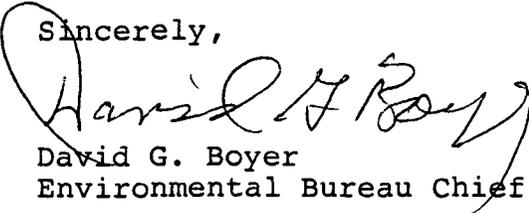
Because ground water contamination has been found at these well sites, Tenneco is required to install a series of monitor wells at the sites to define the contamination plume and to monitor contaminant concentration levels. At this time remedial action is not being required. The need for such action will be reevaluated after review of information and data collected at these sites.

OCD staff will be available the week of June 27 to supervise installation of the monitor wells and to split samples of fluids found in the wells. Monitor well installation requirements have been discussed with you by phone.

Mr. Martin W. Buys  
June 6, 1988  
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If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-5812 or  
Jami Bailey at (505) 827-5884.

Sincerely,



David G. Boyer  
Environmental Bureau Chief

DGB:JB:sl

Enclosure

cc: OCD - Aztec

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SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY DIVISION

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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REPORT TO: David Boyer  
N.M. Oil Conservation Division  
P. O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, N.M. 87504-2088

S.L.D. No. OR-  
DATE REC. 10-30-87

PHONE(S): 327-5812 USER CODE: 3 2 2 3 5

SUBMITTER: David Boyer CODE: 12 6 0

SAMPLE COLLECTION CODE: (YYMMDDHHMMIII) 87111012171151401 198

SAMPLE TYPE: WATER , SOIL , FOOD , OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_ CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY: SAN JUAN; CITY: BLANCO CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION CODE: (Township-Range-Section-Tracts) 128N + 18W + 20 + (10N06E24342)

**ANALYSES REQUESTED:** Please check the appropriate box(es) below to indicate the type of analytical screens required. Whenever possible list specific compounds suspected or required.

**PURGEABLE SCREENS**

- (753) Aliphatic Purgeables (1-3 Carbons)
- (754) Aromatic & Halogenated Purgeables
- (755) Mass Spectrometer Purgeables
- (756) Trihalomethanes
- Other Specific Compounds or Classes
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**EXTRACTABLE SCREENS**

- (751) Aliphatic Hydrocarbons
- (760) Organochlorine Pesticides
- (755) Base/Neutral Extractables
- (758) Herbicides, Chlorophenoxy acid
- (759) Herbicides, Triazines
- (760) Organochlorine Pesticides
- (761) Organophosphate Pesticides
- (767) Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB's)
- (764) Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons
- (762) SDWA Pesticides & Herbicides

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

**FIELD DATA:**

pH= 7; Conductivity= 10000 umho/cm at 17 °C; Chlorine Residual= \_\_\_\_\_ mg/l

Dissolved Oxygen= \_\_\_\_\_ mg/l; Alkalinity= \_\_\_\_\_ mg/l; Flow Rate \_\_\_\_\_

Depth to water \_\_\_\_\_ ft.; Depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.; Perforation Interval \_\_\_\_\_ ft.; Casing: \_\_\_\_\_

Sampling Location, Methods and Remarks (i.e. odors, etc.)

TENNED RIVULE F US 3A  
AUGER HOLE 2

I certify that the results in this block accurately reflect the results of my field analyses, observations and activities. (signature collector): [Signature] Method of Shipment to the Lab: [Signature]

This form accompanies 2 Septum Vials, 1 Glass Jugs, and/or \_\_\_\_\_

Samples were preserved as follows:

- NP: No Preservation; Sample stored at room temperature.
- P-Ice Sample stored in an ice bath (Not Frozen).
- P-Na S O<sub>3</sub> Sample Preserved with Sodium Thiosulfate to remove chlorine residual.

**CHAIN OF CUSTODY**

I certify that this sample was transferred from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

at (location) \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and that

the statements in this block are correct. Evidentiary Seals: Not Sealed  Seals Intact: Yes  No

Signatures \_\_\_\_\_

For OCD Use: Date Owner Notified \_\_\_\_\_ Phone or Letter? \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

THIS PAGE FOR LABORATORY RESULTS ONLY

This sample was tested using the analytical screening method(s) checked below:

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- (754) Aromatic & Halogenated Purgeables
- (755) Mass Spectrometer Purgeables
- (766) Trihalomethanes
- Other Specific Compounds or Classes

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

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- (767) Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB's)
- (764) Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons
- (762) SDWA Pesticides & Herbicides

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

| COMPOUND(S) DETECTED          | CONC.<br>[PPB]     | COMPOUND(S) DETECTED | CONC.<br>[PPB] |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| <i>aromatic purgeables</i>    | <i>see remarks</i> |                      |                |
| <i>benzene</i>                | <i>278</i>         |                      |                |
| <i>ethylbenzene</i>           | <i>209</i>         |                      |                |
| <i>halogenated purgeables</i> | <i>N.D.</i>        |                      |                |
|                               |                    |                      |                |
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| * DETECTION LIMIT *           | * <i>10494</i>     | + DETECTION LIMIT +  | +              |

ABBREVIATIONS USED:

- N D = NONE DETECTED AT OR ABOVE THE STATED DETECTION LIMIT
- T R = DETECTED AT A LEVEL BELOW THE STATED DETECTION LIMIT (NOT CONFIRMED)
- [ RESULTS IN BRACKETS ] ARE UNCONFIRMED AND/OR WITH APPROXIMATE QUANTITATION

LABORATORY REMARKS: *Seven compounds in the C3 substituted benzene region at approx 10 ppb (one peak at approx 30 ppb) detected by the photoionization detector but not identified.*

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYTICAL PERSONNEL

Seal(s) Intact: Yes  No  Seal(s) broken by: *not sealed* date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 I certify that I followed standard laboratory procedures on handling and analysis of this sample unless otherwise noted and that the statements on this page accurately reflect the analytical results for this sample.  
 Date(s) of analysis: *11/2/87* Analyst's signature: *Henry C. Edson*  
 I certify that I have reviewed and concur with the analytical results for this sample and with the statements in this block.  
 Reviewers signature: *R Meyer*

tank drain pit has 1" oil & water

X #1

storage tank

deby tank

deby

meter house

tank drain pit X2



compressor

separator

prod water pit

survey set up

blow pit

A/D  
w/ops  
pit  
A/D  
w/ops  
pit

X3

X3

X4

cathodic protection junction box

prod water pit  
prod water pit

well head



N  
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deby  
deby

meter house