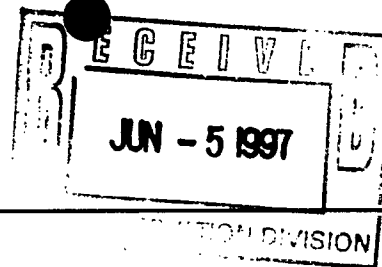


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Subject: Semi-Annual El Paso Field Services Pit Project Groundwater Report

Mr. Olson,

El Paso Field Services (EPFS) has encountered groundwater at various locations while investigating and or remediating exempt hydrocarbon unlined pits. The enclosed list includes all locations which are in this category. Please find enclosed, the locations and status of each individual pit.

These pits are being remediated according to the "EPFS Remediation Plan for Groundwater Encountered During Pit Closure Activities" dated November 29, 1995.

EPFS requests that future reports for this project be submitted on a yearly basis to begin December 1, 1997 which will include soil boring logs, monitoring well completion diagrams, analytical data, groundwater elevation data, any risk analysis and type of remediation method.

For questions regarding this report please contact Ricky Cosby at (505)599-2158.

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Location/Line Name	UTR	Sec	TN	RG	Monitor Status	Well Status	Depth to GW	Product Level
MCGRATH #1	F	07	30	11	+1	GW encountered during drilling activities, MW results below standards, Develop Closure Plan	17'	No
Mae Gail Com #1	E	24	29	11		PZ1 in center of pit below standards. All other samples below standards. Develop Closure Plan	0.5'-8'	No
NM COM G1	P	38	30	10		MW1 was removed during site re-excavation, PZ1 installed with samples below standards. Develop Closure Plan.	17'-18'	No
MARY ACKROYD #1	J	18	30	11		Geoprobe samples all below standards. Develop Closure Plan.	3'-6'	No
JACQUEZ #3	E	25	30	09	-1	MW1 removed during re-excavation. 3 piezos and 1 probehole around pit all below standards. Operator has placed a production tank over the pit location. Develop Closure Plan.	13'-15'	No
SALAZAR G 34-1	K	34	25	08	+1	MW1 results all below standards. Develop Closure Plan.	35'	No
ANDERSON GAS COM A#1 PC	C	28	29	10		PH4 in center of pit is below standards. All of PH's around pit below standards. Develop Closure Plan.	5'-9'	No
GALLEGOS CANYON UT 145 E	D	26	29	12		PZ1 in center of pit below standards.	6'-9'	No
JOHNSTON FEDERAL #3A	I	12	30	09	+1	Develop Closure Plan. 4 clean quarters.	67.5'	No
FLORANCE #1	J	08	30	11	+1	MW1 installed 05/07/97. Develop and sample MW1.	14'	No
DE-NA-HAZ-ZA #1	D	18	28	08	+1	MW1 installed 05/06/97. Develop and sample MW1.	14'	No
Ramenta Et Al #1	J	13	27	09	+1	MW1 installed 05/06/97. Develop and sample MW1.	5'-9'	No
HAMMOND 41 A	O	25	27	08	+1	MW1 installed 05/05/97. Develop and sample MW1.	15'-24'	No
VALDEZ GAS UNIT A #1E CH	G	24	29	11	-1, +1	MW1 installed 05/07/97. Develop and sample MW1.	11'-12'	No

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GALLEGOS CANYON COM A142E	G	25	29	12	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/10/97. Evaluate Data.	13'	No
GALLEGOS CANYON UT D#180	I	27	29	12	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/10/97. Evaluate Data.	19.1'	No
HARRINGTON #1	M	31	27	07	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/02/97. Evaluate Data.	13'	No
Turner A1 "PM" (Pit #2)	G	34	31	11	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/12/97. Evaluate Data.	2.3'-2.5'	No
TURNER #1A (Pit #1)	K	34	31	11	+1	Same as Above	5'	No
SAN JUAN 28-6 UNIT #79 MV	M	11	27	08	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/14/97. Evaluate Data.	30'	No
KNIGHT #1	A	05	30	13	+4	Installed Oxegenate Socks 11/25/96. Geoprobe 02/25/97. Evaluate Data. Install MW1 and sample quarterly.	22'-25'	No
Ohio C. Govt. #3	P	26	28	11		MW1 Developed and sampled 03/28/97. Evaluate Data.	6'-16'	No
NICKLES #1	K	11	31	13	+1		12'-15'	No
BUD-DOS-PAH #1	M	19	26	08		Soil Boring 02/19/97. Operator has placed a compressor over excavated pit area. Evaluate Data.		No
SANCHEZ GAS COM B#1	G	28	29	10	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/11/97. Evaluate Data.	13'	No
GE-ELE-GU-LITH-E #2	L	07	26	08		Soil Boring 02/20/97. Operator has placed a compressor over excavated pit area. Evaluate Data.	6'-9'	No
JOHN CHARLES #8	B	13	27	09	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/13/97. Evaluate Data.	13'	No
CANDADO 23 MV	B	09	26	07	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/16/97. Evaluate Data.	19'	No
							6'-9'	No

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GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT 188E	B	30	29	12	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/03/97. Evaluate Data.	3'-5'	No
JOHNSON #1E	P	21	31	13	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/28/97. Evaluate Data.	3'-9'	No
MILES FEDERAL #1E	N	05	26	07	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/02/97. Evaluate Data.	13.5'-30'	No
TRUJILLO GAS COM A#1	C	28	29	10	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/03/97. Evaluate Data.	3'-9'	No
ANDERSON GAS COM A#1 CH	C	28	29	10	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/11/97. Evaluate Data.	5'-9'	No
TRUNK D LINE DRIP (LOOPD8)	F	20	28	08	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/31/97. Evaluate Data.	10.8'-24'	No
K-31 LINE DRIP	N	16	25	08	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 04/16/97. Evaluate Data.	18'-24'	No
K-17 LINE DRIP	C	26	27	08	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/31/97. Evaluate Data.	17.8'-27'	No
TRUNK 2B DRIP X-1	J	01	27	11	+1	MW1 Developed and sampled 03/11/97. Evaluate Data.	8'-10'	No
Trujillo Gas Com #1 PC	M	21	29	10		Install MW1	4'	No
OHIO C GOVERNMENT #3 TD	P	26	28	11		Install MW1	6'-16'	No
LINDRITH B #24	N	09	24	03		Install MW1	21'-27'	No
K - 51 Line Drip	A	34	26	06		Install MW1	10'	No
Mesa CPD	C	04	29	14	+1	Install well points around pit and sample. MW1 needs 3 more clean quarters.	3'-6.5'	No
STANDARD OIL COM #1	N	36	29	09	+1	Install well points on four sides of pit to establish gradient.	20.89'	No
W.D. HEATH B#5	M	31	30	09	+1	Install well points on four sides of pit to establish gradient.	30'-36'	No
CANYON LARGO UNIT 304	C	11	24	06	+1	Install downgradient well points and sample.	17.5'-18'	No

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K-27 LINE DRIP	E	04	25	08	+1	Establish gradient with well points.	40'	No
LAT O-21 LINE DRIP	O	12	30	09	+1	Establish gradient with well points.	33'-36'	No
Trunk D loop Line Drip	I	33	28	08	+1	Establish gradient with well points.	33'-36'	No
Bisti Flare Pit	C	21	12	26		Establish GW gradient	15'	No
LAT L-40 LINE DRIP	H	13	28	04	+1	Install downgradient well points and sample.	40'	No
HAMNER #9	A	20	29	09	+1	Establish gradient with well points.	29'-31'	No
GARTNER LS #7	K	26	30	08		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
HAMMOND FED #1	L	25	27	08	+1	NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
BURROUGHS COM #1	H	36	27	08		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CLEVELAND #6	B	21	27	09	+1	NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CHARLEY PAH 4	K	12	27	09		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
GRACE PEARCE #1	O	22	29	11		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
HAMMOND #7	G	26	27	08		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
ONA MCGEE #1	P	04	30	11		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CUTLER #2	A	14	24	06		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
LINDRITH UNIT #23	D	09	24	03		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
GREEN COM #1	E	36	29	09		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
HAMMOND FED #5	D	25	27	08	+1	NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
FLORA VISTA #1	F	22	30	12		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
MARSHALL B #1J	O	14	27	09		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
HAMMOND #92	O	25	27	08		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
PRICE #3	A	15	28	08		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No

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KRAUSE WN FEDERAL #1E	C	32	28	11		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CANYON LARGO UNIT #298	A	03	24	06		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
ARGO #1E	N	18	27	10		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CANYON LARGO UNIT #302	J	03	24	06		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
FEDERAL 6 #32 CH	G	06	26	07		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
SANCHEZ GAS COM C#1	A	28	29	10		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
VALDEZ #2	G	24	29	11	-1	NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
FEDERAL R #2	P	15	27	08	+1	NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CANYON LARGO UNIT #336	C	24	25	06		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
CANDELARIA GAS COM C #1	C	27	29	10		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
HOWELL #3	C	03	27	08		NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
LAT 2C-55 LINE DRIP	F	17	25	07	+1	NMOCD Closure Approved	NA	No
HORTON 1-E	H	28	31	09	+1	MW1 above B standards. Inject nutrient slurry in corners of pit.	5.3'	No
LAT 3B-39	M	10	29	09	+1	MW1 above B standards. Inject nutrient slurry in corners of pit.	31'-38'	No
JOHNSTON FEDERAL #4	H	33	31	09	+3	Determine Remedial Design Options.	48.94'--50.38'	Yes
STATE GAS COM N #1	H	16	31	12	+4	Determine Remedial Design Options.	75.66'--76.90'	Yes
COLDIRON COM A#1	K	02	30	11	+1	Determine Remedial Design Options.	35.4'	Yes
JOHNSTON FEDERAL #8A	F	35	31	09	+4	Determine Remedial Design Options.	40'-44.6'	Yes
JAMES F. BELL #1E	P	10	30	13	+4	Determine Remedial Design Options.	23.5'-24.5'	Yes
CANADA MESA #2	I	24	24	06	+1	Determine Remedial Design Options.	30'	Yes

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Location/Line Name	UTR	Sec	IN	RG	Monitor	Well Status	Depth to GW	Product Level
FIELDS A #7A	E	34	32	11	+4	Confirm groundwater gradient. Initiate product removal from MW4.	21.8'-28.8'	Yes
FOGELSON 4-1 COM #14	P	04	29	11	+1	Re-excavate site. Evaluate operators open pits as sources of contamination.	31'-36'	No
SANDOVAL GAS COM A 1A	C	35	30	09	+1	Refusal with Geoprobe. Re-excavate pit and re-install MW1.	35'	No
MILES FEDERAL 1A (CH)	F	05	26	07	+1	Evaluate Data. Sandstone refusal at 25'.	29'	Yes
SHEETS #2	H	28	31	09	+4	Sample Quarterly. Steady drop in B analysis through 4 quarters.	48.3'--50.31'	No
JENNAPAH #1	H	36	28	09	+1	Sample Quarterly. Develop and Sample MW1 03/13/97.	20'	No
FLORANCE C LS 7	F	30	28	08	+1	Sample Quarterly. Need 2 more clean quarters.	40'	No
GRAHAM #53	L	10	27	08	+1	Sample Quarterly. Need 3 more clean samples	28.33'	No
MILES FEDERAL 1 A MV	F	05	26	07	+1	Sample Quarterly. Need 2 more clean quarters.	27.8'	No
LAT. H-37 DRIP Y-3	F	01	31	13	+4	Sample Quarterly. Remove socks. 4 clean quarters with ORB socks.	24.5'-25'	No
2C-22 #1 LINE DRIP	N	35	24	06	+1	Develop Closure Plan. 4 clean quarters.	28.8'	No
2C-22 #3 LINE DRIP	G	13	24	06	+1	Sample Quarterly. Need 3 more clean quarters.	14'-24'	No
2C - 45 Line Drip	P	13	25	06	+1	Sample Quarterly. Need 3 more clean quarters.	42.2'	No
USSELMAN GAS COM #1	B	04	31	10	+1	Sample Quarterly. Need 2 more clean quarters	10'	No
Note:								
MW = Monitor Well								
PZ = Piezometer								
BH = Bore Hole								