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Cc: [Elliott, April L.](#)
Subject: Lime Rock- All Thorn - AUTO-DECLINE OF PERMIT ON OR ABOUT 12/7/14
Date: Monday, December 01, 2014 4:13:25 PM
Attachments: [1228_001.pdf](#)

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The mining lease waits only on the signature of Ray Powell – so that is done (see email string and attachment).

The All Thorn permit goes to auto-denial on 12/7/14 in the absence of any action on the part of District 2.

We can wait a few weeks for approval/review of the variances associated with this permit – but we cannot wait for the permit to auto deny.

District 1 provided a conditional approval of a MWFM pit (which is a 42,000 bbl steel tank) after 2 days of review. The condition is associated with the fact that this “pit” (tank) lies on BLM surface and on 12/4 we have a meeting with BLM to go over the permit application. Thus, BLM could deny the use of the tank/pit and make the permit approval moot. District 1 has not approved the variances associated with this pit/tank permit at this time. The operator is satisfied that the pit/tank permit is approved and more time to review the variances is OK with all – as long as it is approved by early January.

Lime Rock respectfully requests that OCD complete the review of the permit application and if there are any questions or concerns, we can address them this week. Lime Rock can wait 2 weeks on the approval/review of the variance request for the 45-mil LLDPE primary liner, as we would not order that liner until the pit is shaped and the liner foundation is being compacted. Lime Rock cannot wait until Friday 12/5 for OCD to complete the review and find something lacking – thereby causing the permit to fall into auto deny. Moreover, the State Land Office will not issue a commercial lease to allow use of the PW pit until OCD issues the permit. So the sooner the better for OCD review/approval.

I believe Santa Fe OCD must act on the variance request review for the 45-mil liner, based upon the last meeting with Scott and Jim.

I will stop into Artesia OCD tomorrow about noon to get a status report.

Thanks.

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From: David Hamilton [mailto:david@rthicksconsult.com]
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 3:18 PM
To: Randall Hicks
Subject: FW: Signature Request for Rule 5 Mineral Lease (Caliche) / HA-0258

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From: Spencer Cox [mailto:scox@limerockresources.com]
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 1:04 PM
To: Mariano, Michael
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Subject: RE: Signature Request for Rule 5 Mineral Lease (Caliche) / HA-0258

Thank you Michael, Please see the attached scanned signed document and the 3 hard copies are in the mail to you.

Spencer Cox

From: Mariano, Michael [mailto:mmariano@slo.state.nm.us]
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2014 5:35 PM
To: Spencer Cox
Cc: David Hamilton <david@rthicksconsult.com> (david@rthicksconsult.com)
Subject: Signature Request for Rule 5 Mineral Lease (Caliche) / HA-0258

Spencer,

Please print 3ea copies of the Lease & Reclamation Plan, then sign and notarize all 3 original lease documents, sign all 3 reclamation plans and return all of them to the Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division of the Land Office to my attention.

If all is in order and the Commissioner approves this lease, a signed and notarized original of each will be returned to you for your files. Please note that this lease is not valid until the Commissioner has approved and signed it.

Please feel free to call with any questions or concerns.

Regards,

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