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Subject: Closure Denied - ConocoPhillips - Warren McKee Bat - (1RP-4608) 2-3-2017 **Attachments:** Closure Denied - ConocoPhillips - Warren McKee Bat - (1RP-4608) 9.25.19.pdf

Gustavo,

We have received your closure report and final C-141 for <u>1RP-4608</u> Warren McKee Bat, thank you. This closure is denied.

The OCD won't be able to close a spill with contaminants left in place at sidewall samples NSW-1 and NSW-3. Please resubmit a deferral request with signed/dated pages 3-5 of form C-141. Explain in the deferral request why you were unable to extend/remediate the sidewall sample points. Please resubmit through the payment portal when completed.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Thank you,

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