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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Banos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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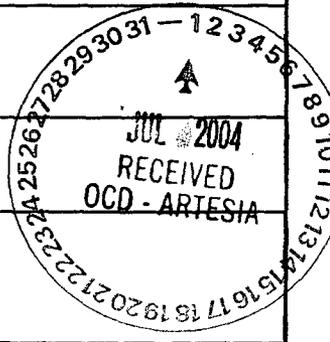
For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

**Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure**

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes  No   
Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank  Closure of a pit or below-grade tank

Operator: Merit Energy Telephone: 677-2327 e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: P.O. PO 69 lacohills NM 88255  
Facility or well name: TURNER B# 87 API# 3001526387 U/L or Q/L or K Sec 29 T 17 S R 31 E  
County: Eddy Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: 1927  1983  Surface Owner Federal  State  Private  Indian

<b>Pit</b> Type: Drilling <input type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Washover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Volume <u>1 CM</u> bbl	<b>Below-grade tank</b> Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not: _____
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	Less than 50 feet (20 points) 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet (10 points) 100 feet or more (0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes (20 points) No (0 points)
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	Less than 200 feet (20 points) 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet (10 points) 1000 feet or more (0 points)
<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b>	
0	



If this is a pit closure: (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: onsite  offsite  If offsite, name of facility reused (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No  Yes  If yes, show depth below ground surface \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations. we pulled liner & covered pit, we will reuse liner.

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines , a general permit , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan .

Date: 6-24-04  
Printed Name/Title: Brenden Ripley Signature: [Signature]

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approved: JUL 14 2004  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name/Title: [Signature] Signature: [Signature]