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## State of New Mexico **Energy Minerals and Natural Resources** Department

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr.

For closed-loop systems that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removed for closure, submit

Form C-144 CLEZ

July 21, 2008

District IV 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 Santa Fe, NM 87505 to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.	IL
Closed-Loop System Permit or Closure Plan Application	
(that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)  Type of action: X Permit Closure	
Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144 CLEZ) per individual closed-loop system request. For any application request other than for closed-loop system that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, please submit a Form C-1 Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.	1 44.
Operator: Energen Resources Corporation OGRID #: 162928 RCVD AUG 17'09	
Address: 2010 Afton Place, Farmington, NM 87401 OIL COMS. DIV.	
Facility or well name: Carracas 17 B#14 DIST. 3	
API Number: 30-039-26485 OCD Permit Number:	
U/L or Qtr/Qtr N Section 17 Township 32N Range 4W County: Rio Arriba	
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.98161N Longitude 107.27988 W NAD: 1927 X 1983	ı
Surface Owner: X Federal State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment	
2.  X Closed-loop System: Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  Operation: Drilling a new well X Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent) P&  X Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins	:A
Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC RCVD SEP 24 '09	_
12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers	
X Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC	
Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.  Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC Closure Plan (Please complete Box 5) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19 15.17.13 NMAC	<del>_</del>
Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design)  API Number:	
Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number:	_
S Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC) Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.	
Disposal Facility Name: Envirotech Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM-1-0011	_
Disposal Facility Name: Carracas SWD#1 Disposal Facility Permit Number: 30-039-24278	_
Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that will not be used for future service and operation Yes (If yes, please provide the information below)	ons?
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:  Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	
Operator Application Certification: I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.	
Name (Print): Patricio W. Sanchez Title: District Engineer	
Signature:	_
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e-mail address: psanchez@energen.com

505.324.4141

Telephone: .

OCD Approval:     Permit Application (including closure plan)
Title: Enviro / spa OCD Permi Number:
Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions. Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.  Closure Completion Date: 9-19-09
Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:  Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.  Disposal Facility Name
Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation  Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique
Operator Closure Certification:  I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.  Name (Print):    Patricia   W. Sanche   Title:   District   Englished
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## **Closed-loop Design Plan:**

Our closed loop system will not entail a drying pad, temporary pit, below grade tank or sump. It will entail an above ground tank suitable for holding the cuttings and fluids for rig operations. The tank will be of sufficient volume to maintain a safe free board between disposal of the liquids and solids from rig operations.

- 1) Fencing is not required for an above ground closed-loop system.
- 2) It will be signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC.
- 3) A frac tank will be on location to store fresh water.

## **Closed-loop Operating and Maintenance Plan:**

The closed-loop tank will be operated and maintained; to contain liquids and solids, to aid in the prevention of contamination of fresh water sources, in order to protect public health and the environment. To attain this goal the following steps will be followed:

- 1) The liquids will be vacuumed out and disposed of at the Carracas SWD #1 facility (Disposal API Number 30-039-24278). Solids in the closed-loop tank will be vacuumed out and disposed of at Envirotech (Permit Number NM-01-0011) on a periodic basis to prevent over topping.
- 2) No hazardous waste, miscellaneous solid waste or debris will be discharged into or stored in the tank. Only fluids or cuttings used or generated by rig operations will be placed or stored in the tank.
- 3) The division district office will be notified within 48 hours of the discovery of compromised integrity of the closed-loop tank. Upon the discovery of the compromised tank, repairs will be enacted immediately.
- 4) All of the above operations will be inspected and a log will be signed and dated. During rig operations the inspection will be daily.

## Closed-loop Closure Plan:

The closed loop tank will be closed in accordance with 19.15.17.13. This will be done by transporting cuttings and all remaining sludge to Envirotech (Permit Number NM-01-0011) following rig operations. All remaining liquids will be transported and disposed of in the Carracas SWD #1 facility (Disposal API Number 30-039-24278). The tanks will be removed from the location as part of the rig move. At time of well abandonment, the site will be reclaimed and re-vegetated to pre-existing conditions when possible.