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1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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: Richardson Operating Company Telephone: 505-564-3100 e-mail address: rbruner@richardsonoil.com  
Address: 5600 S. Quebec St Suite 130B, Greenwood Village, CO 80111  
Facility or well name: Federal 23-17 #2 API #: 30-045-31980 U/L or Qtr/Qtr D Sec 17 T 28N R 8W  
County: San Juan Latitude 36° 39' 58.910" Longitude 107° 42' 32.095" NAD: 1927 ☐ 1983 ☐ Surface Owner Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☐

Pit Type: Drilling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Volume <u>80</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) <b>10</b>
	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) <b>0</b>
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) <b>10</b>
	1000 feet or more	( 0 points)
<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b>		<b>20</b>

**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: (check the onsite box if you are burying in place) onsite ☒ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of facility \_\_\_\_\_. (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.

Additional Comments:

3/2/2005: Take down & haul off reserve pit fence. No tears encountered in pit liner. Backfill reserve pit according to Richardson Operating pit closure plan.

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: 5/12/2005

Printed Name/Title Ryan Bruner / Geologist

Signature Ryan Bruner

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.

Approval:

**DEPUTY OIL & GAS INSPECTOR, DIST. #1**

Printed Name/Title

Signature Denny Felt

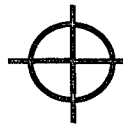
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**MAY 16 2005**

Largo Canyon Site Diagram

Federal 23-17 #2  
30-45-31980  
D Sec. 17 T28N-R8W

Reserve Pit



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