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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 ☐

**WFS CLOSURE**

Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank ☐ Closure of a pit or below-grade tank ☒

Operator: BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS CO Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: 801 CHERRY ST FORT WORTH, TX 76102  
Facility or well name: NEWSOM A #006E API #: 30-045-24506 U/L or Qtr/Qtr G SEC 15 T 26N R 8W  
County: SAN JUAN Latitude 36.48931 Longitude -107.66757 NAD: 1927 ☒ 1983 ☐  
Surface Owner: Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☐

**Pit**

Type: Drilling ☐ Production ☒ Disposal ☐

Workover ☐ Emergency ☐

Lined ☐ Unlined ☒

Liner Type: Synthetic ☒ Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil Clay ☐

Pit Volume 64 bbl

**Below-grade tank**

Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Type of fluid: \_\_\_\_\_

Construction Material: \_\_\_\_\_

Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes ☒ 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  
50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet  
100 feet or more

(20 points)  
(10 points)  
(0 points)

0

Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)

Yes  
No

(20 points)  
(0 points)

0

Distance to surface water: (Horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)

Less than 200 feet  
200 feet to 1,000 feet  
Greater than 1,000 feet

(20 points)  
(10 points)  
(0 points)

0

**Ranking Score (TOTAL POINTS):**

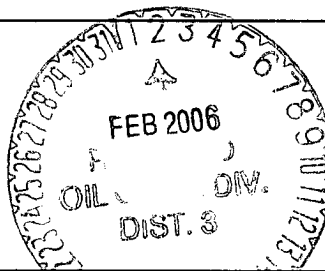
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**If this is a pit closure:** (1) Attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: (check the onsite box if you are burying in place) onsite ☒ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of 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:

Meter: OEmha6

*Bedrock*



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: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name/Title Mark Harvey for Williams Field Services

Signature Mr. Harvey FOR WFS

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:

Printed Name/Title DEPUTY OIL & GAS INSPECTOR, DIST. 3

Signature Wendy Kelly

**FEB 02 2006**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDENDUM TO OCD FORM C-144

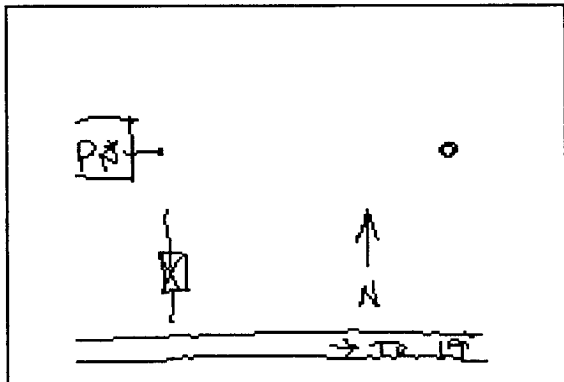
**Operator:** BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY LP

**API** 30-045-24506

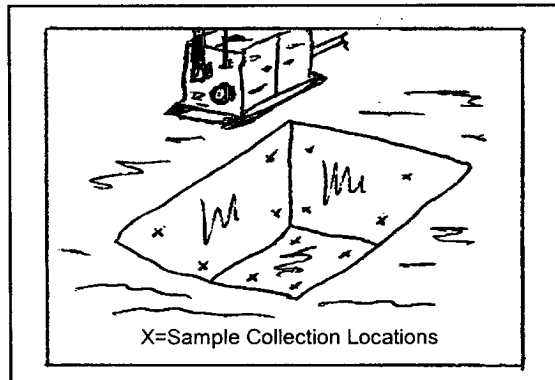
**Well Name:** NEWSOM A #006E

**Meter:** OEmha6

**Facility Diagram:**



**Sampling Diagram:**



**Pit Dimensions**

Length 12 Ft.  
Width 12 Ft.  
Depth 2.5 Ft.

**Location of Pit Center**

Latitude 36.48922  
Longitude -107.66793  
(NAD 1927)

**Pit ID**

OEmha61

**Pit Type**

Unknown

**Date Closure Started:** 2/14/05

**Date Closure Completed:** 2/14/05

**Closure Method:** Excavated, Blended, Treated Soil Returned

**Bedrock Encountered ?** ☒

**Cubic Yards Excavated:** 37

**Vertical Extent of Equipment Reached ?** ☐

**Description Of Closure Action:**

Contaminated soil was removed and treated then returned to the excavation following sampling of the walls and floor.

BEDROCK limited vertical excavation and/or prevented sampling. This condition limits deleterious environmental effects.

**Pit Closure Sampling:**

Sample ID	Sample Date	Head Space	BTEX Total (mg/kg)	Benzene (mg/kg)	TPH DRO (mg/kg)	Purpose	Location	Depth	
150614FEB05	2/14/05	0			14000	EX Confirm	Walls	7	See Risk Analysis
151214FEB05	2/14/05	252	301.4	3.4	4500	EX Confirm	Flr	7	See Risk Analysis
184710AUG04	8/10/04		51.6	2.6	16000	ASSESS	Flr	3.5	

Lab Project Number: 6084738  
Client Project ID: NM PITS

Lab Sample No: 607299435  
Client Sample ID: 164510JUL04

Project Sample Number: 6084738-021  
Matrix: Soil

Date Collected: 07/10/04 04:45  
Date Received: 07/16/04 12:10

Parameters	Results	Units	Report Limit	DF	Analyzed	By	CAS No.	Qual	RegLmt
<b>GC Semivolatiles</b>									
Total Extractable Hydrocarbons	Prep/Method: OA2 / OA2								
Mineral Spirits	ND	mg/kg	12.	1.2	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1			
Jet Fuel	ND	mg/kg	12.	1.2	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1			
Kerosene	ND	mg/kg	12.	1.2	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1			
Diesel Fuel	ND	mg/kg	12.	1.2	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1	68334-30-5		
Fuel Oil	ND	mg/kg	12.	1.2	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1	68334-30-5		
Motor Oil	ND	mg/kg	12.	1.2	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1			
n-Tetracosane (S)	109	%		1.0	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1	646-31-1		
p-Terphenyl (S)	121	%		1.0	07/22/04 07:51	RMN1	92-94-4		
Date Extracted	07/20/04				07/20/04				

#### Organics Prep

Percent Moisture	Method: SM 2540G								
Percent Moisture	14.6	%		1.0	07/20/04	DPB			

#### GC Volatiles

TPH Gas/BTEX	Prep/Method: TPH GRO/BTEX / EPA 8021/OA1								
Benzene	150	ug/kg	58.	1.1	07/21/04 18:34		71-43-2		
Toluene	880	ug/kg	58.	1.1	07/21/04 18:34		108-88-3		
Ethylbenzene	250	ug/kg	58.	1.1	07/21/04 18:34		100-41-4		
Xylene (Total)	4600	ug/kg	150	1.1	07/21/04 18:34		1330-20-7		
a,a,a-Trifluorotoluene (S)	91	%		1.0	07/21/04 18:34		98-08-8		
4-Bromofluorobenzene (S)	104	%		1.0	07/21/04 18:34		460-00-4		

## REPORT OF LABORATORY ANALYSIS

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Lab Project Number: 6092023  
Client Project ID: N. Mex. Pit Program

Lab Sample No: 607913183      Project Sample Number: 6092023-020      Date Collected: 02/14/05 15:06  
Client Sample ID: 150614FEB05      Matrix: Soil      Date Received: 02/18/05 09:05

Parameters	Results	Units	Report Limit	DF	Analyzed	By	CAS No.	Qual	RegLmt
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### GC Semivolatiles

Total Extractable Hydrocarbons Prep/Method: OA2 / OA2

Mineral Spirits	ND	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1			
Jet Fuel	ND	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1			
Kerosene	ND	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1			
Diesel Fuel	ND	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1	68334-30-5		
Fuel Oil	ND	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1	68334-30-5		
Motor Oil	ND	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1			
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	14000	mg/kg	110	11.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1		5	
n-Tetracosane (S)	0	%		1.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1	646-31-1	6	
p-Terphenyl (S)	0	%		1.0	02/24/05 07:06	RMN1	92-94-4	6	
Date Extracted	02/21/05				02/21/05				

### Organics Prep

Percent Moisture	Method: SM 2540G								
Percent Moisture	10.1	%		1.0	02/21/05	ALJ1			

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Lab Project Number: 6092023  
Client Project ID: N. Mex. Pit Program

Lab Sample No: 607913191 Project Sample Number: 6092023-021 Date Collected: 02/14/05 15:12  
Client Sample ID: 151214FEB05 Matrix: Soil Date Received: 02/18/05 09:05

Parameters	Results	Units	Report Limit	DF	Analyzed	By	CAS No.	Qual	RegLmt
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### GC Semivolatiles

Total Extractable Hydrocarbons Prep/Method: OA2 / OA2

Mineral Spirits	ND	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1			
Jet Fuel	ND	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1			
Kerosene	ND	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1			
Diesel Fuel	ND	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1	68334-30-5		
Fuel Oil	ND	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1	68334-30-5		
Motor Oil	ND	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1			
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	4500	mg/kg	11.	1.1	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1			1
n-Tetracosane (S)	338	%		1.0	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1	646-31-1		7
p-Terphenyl (S)	199	%		1.0	02/23/05 07:54	RMN1	92-94-4		7
Date Extracted	02/21/05				02/21/05				

### Organics Prep

Percent Moisture	Method: SM 2540G								
Percent Moisture	10.4	%		1.0	02/21/05	ALJ1			

### GC Volatiles

Aromatic Volatile Organics Prep/Method: EPA 5030 Medium Soil / EPA 8021

Benzene	3400	ug/kg	2700	53.1	02/19/05 22:25		71-43-2		
Ethylbenzene	13000	ug/kg	2700	53.1	02/19/05 22:25		100-41-4		
Toluene	75000	ug/kg	2700	53.1	02/19/05 22:25		108-88-3		
Xylene (Total)	210000	ug/kg	6900	53.1	02/19/05 22:25		1330-20-7		
a,a,a-Trifluorotoluene (S)	105	%		1.0	02/19/05 22:25		98-08-8		

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Environmental Services  
188 CR 4900  
Bloomfield, NM 87413

### **Pit Closure and Retirement Addendum- Risk Assessment**

This site is located in the NMOCD / USBLM defined "Non Vulnerable Area". These agencies have predetermined that historical use of unlined pits in this area have limited potential to adversely affect ground water. This is primarily due to the depth to ground water, lack of vertical migration of contaminants, and distant proximity to river drainages.

The sample analyzed for confirmation at this site exhibited elevated levels of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) and / or BTEX. Toxicity information indicates that the measured levels pose little risk to human health and the environment. This conclusion is based in part on the information below:

#### **Toxicity Information**

Toxicity values for TPH have not been established due to the variability of the chemical makeup of TPH. Normally, the toxicity is based on the toxicity of particular constituents of concern that may be present and which are evaluated based on health-based standards. The most common constituents examined include benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene, and xylene.

In the absence of constituents of concern or when the concentrations of the constituents of concern are low, the acceptable level of TPH is established by considering the following:

- No liquid product should remain in the soil
- The TPH should not harm vegetation
- The TPH concentrations should not create an odor nuisance
- Hydrocarbon vapors which may emanate from the impacted soil should not generate harmful or explosive vapors
- Site monitoring should indicate that TPH levels are stable or declining

#### **Environmental and Site Conditions**

Based on an evaluation of site topography and available well data, this site is believed to have ground water greater than 100' below ground surface. The absence of continuous transport mechanisms limits continued migration of contaminants in soil.

While residual TPH and/or BTEX exists at this site, closure of this site is warranted for the following reasons:

1. The majority of soils that exhibited high levels of TPH and BTEX have been treated to enhance degradation in-situ.
2. Residual TPH concentrations are below levels considered problematic based on the criteria above.
3. Discharge at the site has been eliminated to prevent any future impacts to soils.
4. Depth to groundwater is estimated at greater than 100'.
5. Vertical migration of contamination is limited due to cessation of discharge and regional climatic conditions.
6. TPH / BTEX concentrations will not increase and will degrade over time from natural and enhanced processes occurring in-situ.
7. Further excavation at the site is not practicable.

Since there are no nearby receptors or domestic water sources, this site poses little risk to human health and the environment. Closure is justified based on the relatively low total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH) concentration (compared to documented risk exposure information) and the fact that recommended closure criteria cannot be practically attained. Additional information may be found in the Technical Background Document titled: *Risk Based Closure of Unlined Surface Impoundment Sites, San Juan Basin, New Mexico.*