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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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

Form C-144
June 1, 2004

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 ☒

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Operator: **Black Hills Gas Resources** Telephone: **(505) 634-1111 ext 28** e-mail address: **dmanus@bhgp.com**

Address: **3200 N 1st Street PO Box 249 Bloomfield, NM 87413**

Facility or well name: **Jicarilla 459-20 #17** API #: **30-039-27778** U/L or Qtr/Qtr **SW/SW Unit M** Sec **20** T **30** N R **3** W

County: **Rio Arriba** Latitude **36° 47' 31" N** Longitude **107° 10' 53" W** NAD: 1927 ☐ 1983 ☒

Surface Owner: Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☒

Pit

Type: Drilling ☒ Production ☐ Disposal ☐

Workover ☐ Emergency ☐

Lined ☒ Unlined ☐

Liner type: Synthetic ☒ Thickness **15** mil Clay ☐

Pit Volume **5,000** 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

(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

Ranking Score (Total Points)

0 points

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: **Center of pit was 11' from north and 60 feet of well head.**

No visual soil staining was seen, soils had no odor, and pit only had produced water from drilling operations. No soil samples were taken.

On March 17, 2006 the Drilling Production Pit was backfilled and contoured to prevent ponding.

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: **03/28/2006**

Printed Name/Title **Daniel R. Manus / Regulatory Technician** Signature *Daniel Manus*

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 *Denny Footh*

Date:

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