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

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

For temporary pits, closed-loop systems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

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Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action: Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method Modification to an existing permit Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank or alternative request 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.	
Operator: Yates Petroleum Corporation Address: 105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, NM 88210 Facility or well name: Ristra AGW State #2 API Number: 30-045-34587 OCD Permit Number: U/L or Qtr/Qtr N Section 32 Township 24N Range 9W County San Juan Center of Proposed Design: Latitude Longitude NAD: 1927 1983 Surface Owner: Federal State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment	
Pit: Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Temporary: ☑ Drilling ☐ Workover ☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☑ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness _ 20_mil ☑ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other ☑ String-Reinforced Liner Seams: ☑ Welded ☑ Factory ☐ Other Volume: 10,000 bbl Dimensions: L 120' x W 120' x D 6'	., د د
Closed-loop System: Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Type of Operation: P&A Drilling a new well Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent) Drying Pad Above Ground Steel Tanks Haul-off Bins Other Lined Unlined Liner type: Thickness mil LLDPE HDPE PVC Other Liner Seams: Welded Factory Other	
Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Volume:	
5. Alternative Method: Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.	

Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks) Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church) Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet Alternate. Please specify					
7. Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)					
Screen Netting Other N/A (Temp Pit No Netting Required)					
☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)					
8.					
Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC					
12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers					
Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC					
Administrative Approvals and Exceptions: Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance. Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank: Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau consideration of approval. Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.	office for				
Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.					
Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank. - NM Office of the State Engineer - 1WATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ☑ No ☑ NA				
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to permanent pits) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ⊠ No 図 NA				
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☑ No				
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
 Within an unstable area. Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map 	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map See Attached Exhibit "A"	☐ Yes ⊠ No				

Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks 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. Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC See Attached Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Exh "B" Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC 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 Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC See Attached Exhibit "F"
Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: or Permit Number:
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. Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC 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 Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: API Number: (Applies only to closed-loop system that use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)
Permanent Pits Permit Application 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. Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Climatological Factors Assessment Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H ₂ S, Prevention Plan Emergency Response Plan Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization Monitoring and Inspection Plan Erosion Control Plan Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
Proposed Closure: 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions: Places complete the applicable boxes: Power 14 through 18 in regards to the proposed closure plan.
Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan. Type: Drilling Workover Emergency Cavitation P&A Permanent Pit Below-grade Tank Closed-loop System Alternative Proposed Closure Method: Waste Excavation and Removal Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only) On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems) In-place Burial On-site Trench Burial Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)
Maste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. □ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC □ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC □ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings) □ 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 I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC □ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids,							
facilities are required.	Disposal Facility Permit Number:						
Disposal Facility Name:							
Disposal Facility Name: Disposal Facility Permit Number: 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.							
☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No		vice and operations?					
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operation Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications based upon the appropriate Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection	e requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMA I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	C					
Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may requi considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmenta demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC	re administrative approval from the appropriate dist. I Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justi	rict office or may be					
Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Database search;	a obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA					
Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - 1WATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells							
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells							
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other sig- lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	gnificant watercourse or lakebed, sınkhole, or playa	☐ Yes ☐ No					
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image							
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site							
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality							
 Within 500 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 							
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division							
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geolog Society; Topographic map	y & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological	☐ Yes ☐ No					
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map		☐ Yes ☐ No					
On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved) Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Re-vegetation 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 to	THE accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief						
Name (Print). Lucky Briggs	Title: Regulatory Agent						
Signature: Lucky by 95	Date: <u>1/23/2009</u>						
e-mail address:luckyb@yatespetroleum.com	Telephone: <u>575-748-4335</u>						
OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan)	Closure Plan (only) OCD Conditions (see attachment)						
OCD Representative Signature: Brand Oll	Approval Date: 4-9-09						
Title: Envirolspec	OCD Permit 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:						
22. Closure Method: Waste Excavation and Removal On-Site Closure Method If different from approved plan, please explain.	Alternative Closure Method						
	O Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: quids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than Disposal Facility Permit Number:						
Disposal Facility Name:	Disposal Facility Permit Number:						
	med on or in areas that will not be used for future service and operations?						
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service an Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation) Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique	nd operations:						
Closure Report Attachment Checklist: Instructions: Each of the formark in the box, that the documents are attached. Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division) Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure) Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits) Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable) Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation) On-site Closure Location: Latitude							
25. 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):	Tıtle:						
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Exhibit "A"

Ristra AGW State #2 - Siting Requirements:

Enclosed herewith are supporting maps and documents to support siting required by 19.15.17.10 NMAC.

Attached is the water data for the area that indicates depth to water is more than 200 feet (Exhibit B-1). From our site inspection of the location there are no continuously flowing watercourse within 300 feet or within 200 feet of any significant watercourse lakebeds, sinkhole or playa lakes. There are no permanent residences, school, hospital, institutions or church in existence within 300 feet or 1000 feet of the location. From iWaters database and visual inspection there are no domestic fresh water wells or springs within 500 horizontal feet or 1000 horizontal feet from the well location (Exhibit B-1). The location is not within the incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance and not within 500 feet of a wetland. There are no subsurface mines overlying the area. 100 year flood plain has not been indicated on the FEMA website, this section is not in the flood plain area (Exhibit A-1).

Regulatory Agent

Date

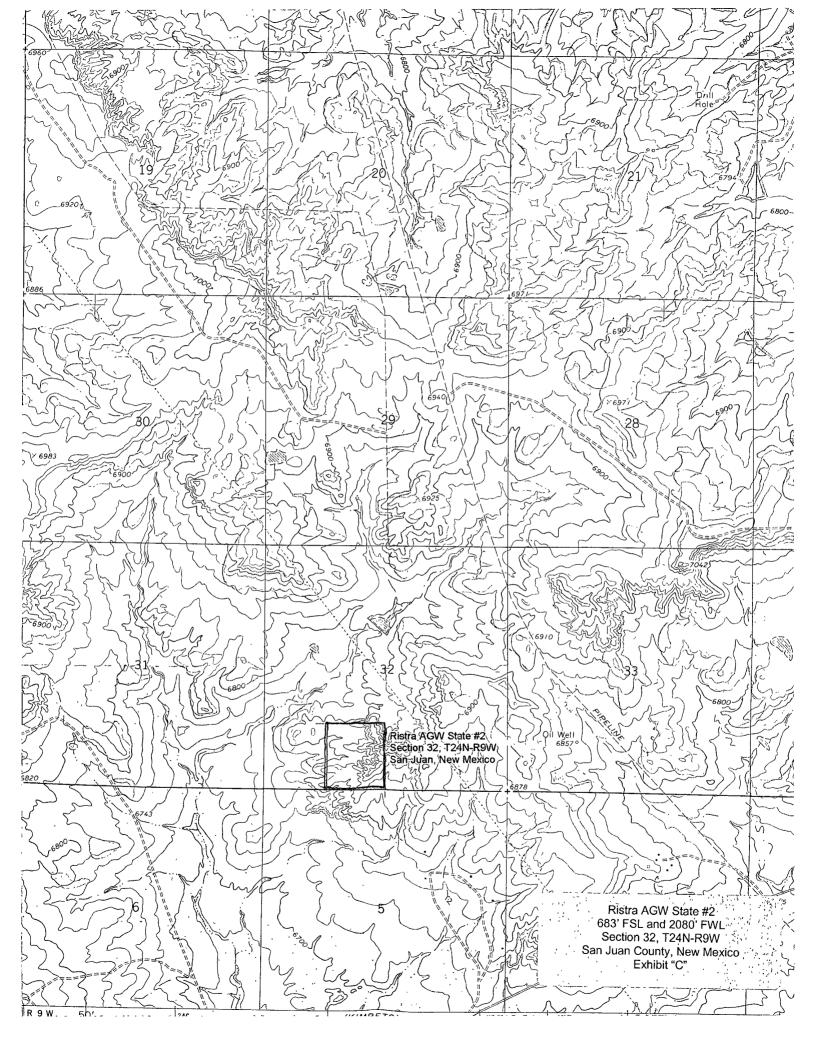
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Ristra AGW State #2 683' FSL and 2080' FWL Section 32, T24N-R9W San Juan County, New Mexico Exhibit "B"



Yates Petroleum Corporation Design Requirements For Temporary Reserve Pit

Sign posted on site / location or on the fence of reserve pit identifying the operator, listing their phone #, location of site by ½ / ½ or unit letter, and S-T-R.

Pit must be fenced to prevent unauthorized access. Fence must remain in good repair. The fence to be barbed wire, space at 1 foot intervals from 1' to 4' off ground. Pit will be fenced on 3 sides during drilling; the 4th side will be fenced upon removal of drilling rig.

Slope of the pit walls is no greater than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot.

Welded liner seams must run up & down the banks of the pit, not horizontally across them.

Field seams must be welded.

Edges of the liner must be anchored in trenches at least 18 inches deep. Edge of liner will protrude from the outside edge of the trench.

Pit shall be designed to prevent to run on of surface water.

Yates Petroleum Corporation Drilling Operations Requirements for Temporary Reserve Pit.

While the drilling rig is onsite, Operator's representative will inspect the temporary pit daily to ensure that the liner is intact, and that no releases are occurring.

Thereafter, the operator shall inspect at least once weekly as long as liquids remain in the temporary pit.

Operator will maintain a log of such inspections and make the log available to the appropriate NMOCD District office upon request.

A copy of the inspection log shall be filed with the NMOCD when operator closes the pit.

Operator must notify NMOCD if liner is damaged, and must repair or replace the damaged liner. Operator has 48 hours to notify NMOCD and make repairs.

NO HOLES in pit liners – not even in the part of the liner that is not in the reserve pit.

All drilling fluids to be removed from temporary pit within 30 days of rig release date

Hydrocarbon based drilling fluids will be stored in steel pits.

Liner – will be 20mil., string reinforced with welded seams.

Fluids to be added to pit through a header, diverter, or other hardware that prevents damage to liner by erosion, fluid jets, or impacts from installations and removal of hoses or pipes.

Operator shall have onsite an oil absorbent boom or other device to contain and remove oil from a pits surface.

Operator must maintain a freeboard of at least two feet for a temporary pit.

Pit will be bermed to prevent run on of water into the pit.

Safety:

With the use of a temporary pit operator is better able to conduct flammable and dangerous fluids further away from rig personnel and well bore.

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Closure Procedure For Temporary Drilling Pits

- 1. De-water pit within 30 days of rig release.
- 2. Weekly inspection of fluid level in drilling pit after rig release date until fluids are removed. Weekly levels will be recorded in a log to be submitted to the appropriate OCD district office at time of pit closure.
- 3. All removed pit fluids will be disposed of in an OCD approved manner at one of the listed OCD approved disposal facilities.

Disposal Facility: Envirotech Inc. Soil Remediation Facility

Disposal Facility Permit Number: NM-01-0011

- 4. If fluids are reclaimed the appropriate OCD district office will be contacted beforehand for approval to do so.
- 5. Within 6 months of the rig release date and after the removal of all free liquids from the temporary drilling pit, the surface owner will be notified by certified mail, return receipt requested that the operator will close the pit. OCD division office will be notified verbally that waste excavation and removal will begin.
- 6. All impacted contents of the temporary drilling pit will be stabilized by mixing of dry non-waste containing earthen material so that such material will pass a paint filter test.
- 7. All stabilized pit contents, including the synthetic pit liner will be loaded into trucks and transferred to the division-approved facility listed below for proper disposal.

Disposal Facility: <u>Envirotech Inc. Soil Remediation Facility</u>

Disposal Facility Permit Number: <u>NM-01-0011</u>

- 8. Once all visually impacted materials have been removed from the temporary drilling pit, testing and analyzing of the soils beneath the pit will be conducted in accordance with 19.15.17.13, B., 1(b) (i) or (ii) whichever is appropriate to determine if a release has occurred during utilization of the pit.
- 9. When analysis indicates that the soils within the pit area are within the recommended actions levels backfilling will begin.

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- 10. Backfill material will consist of non-waste containing earthen material. The cleaned out drilling pit will be filled with such material to a level which shall allow space for the addition of topsoil which will be equal to the thickness of the background topsoil or one foot whichever is greater as directed in 19.15.17.13, H (1) NMAC.
- 11. The topsoil cover will be placed on to the drilling pit area in a manner of existing grade and will prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material.
- 12. Within 60 days of closure completion a closure report on form C-144 will be submitted to the appropriate district office. The report will contain detailed information on the backfilling, capping. The closure report will also include a plat of the closed pit location on a form C-105.
- 13. Within the first growing season after the approved pit closure seeding of the pit area shall occur. The seeding will be performed in accordance with 19.15.17.13, I, (2) (3) (4) (5).