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# PIT REMEDIATION AND CLOSURE REPORT

Agreed

Operator: Amoco Production Company Telephone: (505) - 326-9200  
Address: 200 Amoco Court, Farmington, New Mexico 87401  
Facility Or: BARNES LS 4A  
Well Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Location: Unit or Qtr/Qtr Sec C Sec 26 T 32 N R 11 W County SAN JUAN  
Pit Type: Separator X Dehydrator X Other TANK  
Land Type: BLM     , State     , Fee     , Other COM. AGMT.

Pit Location: Pit dimensions: length 45', width 45', depth 10'  
(Attach diagram) Reference: wellhead X, other \_\_\_\_\_  
Footage from reference: 35  
Direction from reference: 45 Degrees \_\_\_\_\_ East North \_\_\_\_\_  
of  
X West South X

**Depth To Ground Water:**  
(Vertical distance from  
contaminants to seasonal  
high water elevation of  
ground water)

Less than 50 feet (20 points)  
50 feet to 99 feet (10 points)  
Greater than 100 feet (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 (20 points)  
No (0 points) 0

**Distance To Surface Water:**  
(Horizontal distance to perennial  
lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, creeks,  
irrigation canals and ditches)

Less than 200 feet (20 points)  
200 feet to 1000 feet (10 points)  
Greater than 1000 feet (0 points) 0

**RANKING SCORE (TOTAL POINTS):** 0

Date Remediation Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Completed: 2-13-95Remediation Method: Excavation X Approx. cubic yards 560  
(Check all appropriate sections) Landfarmed X Insitu Bioremediation \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Remediation Location: Onsite X Offsite \_\_\_\_\_  
(ie. landfarmed onsite, name and location of offsite facility)

General Description Of Remedial Action: \_\_\_\_\_

Excavation AS POSSIBLE - EQUIPMENT LIMITS LATERAL EXCAVATION.

Ground Water Encountered: No X Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_Final Pit: Sample location see Attached Documents

Closure Sampling: \_\_\_\_\_

(if multiple samples, attach sample results and diagram of sample locations and depths)

Sample depth 6'Sample date 2-13-95 Sample time \_\_\_\_\_

Sample Results

Benzene(ppm) \_\_\_\_\_

Total BTEX(ppm) \_\_\_\_\_

Field headspace(ppm) 1221TPH 10,400 ppmGround Water Sample: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X (If yes, attach sample results)

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

DATE 2-23-95

SIGNATURE

B. ShawPRINTED NAME  
AND TITLEBuddy D. Shaw  
ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR

TRAVEL NOTES: CALLOUT: 2-12-95 ONSITE: 2-13-95 0830

**BLAGG ENGINEERING, INC.**

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**FIELD MODIFIED EPA METHOD 418.1  
TOTAL PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS**

Client:	Amoco	Project #:	
Sample ID:	N. Side @ 6'	Date Analyzed:	2-13-95
Project Location:	Barnes LS 4A	Date Reported:	2-13-95
Laboratory Number:	TPH-1369	Sample Matrix:	Soil

Parameter	Result, mg/kg	Detection Limit, mg/kg
Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons	10,400	100

ND = Not Detectable at stated detection limits.

QA/QC:	QA/QC Sample	Duplicate	%
	TPH mg/kg	TPH mg/kg	*Diff.
	4,760	4,400	8

\*Administrative Acceptance limits set at 30%.

Method: Modified Method 418.1, Petroleum Hydrocarbons, Total Recoverable, Chemical Analysis of Water and Waste, USEPA Storet No.4551, 1978

Comments: Separator/Dehydrator/Tank Pit - B0218

R. E. O'Neill  
Analyst

Nelson Vely  
Review

<b>Well Name:</b>	<b>Barnes LS #4A</b>
<b>Well Site location:</b>	Unit C, Sec. 26, T32N, R11W
<b>Pit Type:</b>	Dehydrator/Separator/Tank pit
<b>Producing Formation:</b>	Mesaverde
<b>Pit Category:</b>	Area III
<b>Horizontal Distance to Surface Water:</b>	> 1000 ft.
<b>Vicinity Groundwater Depth:</b>	> 100 ft.

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

Pit remediation activities were terminated when trackhoe encountered sandstone bedrock at 10 feet below grade.

No past or future threat to surface water or groundwater is likely based on the following considerations:

1. Past production fluids were contained locally by a relatively shallow sandstone bedrock located 10 feet below grade. Groundwater levels located on or close to the well pad are estimated to be at a much greater depth below sandstone bedrock.
2. Topographic information does not indicate off site lateral fluid migration near the earthen pit.
3. Daily discharge into the earthen pit has been terminated (double sidewall steel tank installed). Prior discharge into the pit is believed to be under 5 barrels per day.
4. Field headspace readings (OVM/PID) on Mesaverde type locations do not reflect direct correlation to total BTEX per USEPA Method 8020 concentrations. Listed below are a few typical AMOCO Mesaverde pit soil analyses comparing headspace to Benzene and total BTEX results.

LOCATION	HEADSPACE (ppm)	BENZENE (ppm)	TOTAL BTEX (ppm)
L.C. Kelly #6A	833	0.033	2.857
Johnston LS 7	998	0.017	24.985
Neil LS 7A	819	0.282	0.440

The comparisons listed above demonstrates that headspace testing is not an accurate measurement to Benzene or total BTEX concentrations when above standards for Mesaverde type pits.

Based upon the information given, we conclude that the subsurface lateral impact from the earthen pit is very limited and that the sandstone bottom creates enough of a permeable barrier as to subdue impact to groundwater below it (please refer to AMOCO's report "Post Excavation Pit Closure Investigation Summary, July, 1995", with cover letter dated November 30, 1995). AMOCO requests pit closure approval on this location.