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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, 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

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

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

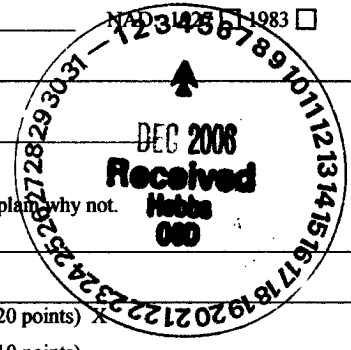
**Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure**

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: Apache Corporation Telephone: 432-527-3311 e-mail address: harold.swain@usa.apachecorp.com  
Address: P. O. Box 848 Wink, Tx. 79789  
Facility or well name: State Land 15 Well #12 API #: 30-025-37496 U/L or Qtr/Qtr P Sec 16 T 21S R 37E  
County: Lea Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  
Surface Owner: Federal  State  Private  Indian

<b>Pit</b> 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 type="checkbox"/> Thickness _____ mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Volume _____ 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.) <u>49.05</u>	Less than 50 feet (20 points) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b> 20 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 Sundance Disposal. (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: **Drilling Pit Closure Plan:** Pit contents will be excavated to pit bottom depth and hauled to an NMOCD permitted disposal site. Samples will then be drawn from 5 points on the pit bottom and tested by a properly certified laboratory. Upon verification that the pit bottom is clean, the pit will be backfilled with clean native soil and domed to prevent pooling.

① SAMPLES TO BE GRAB  
② REVEALATE AREA WITHIN ONE YEAR - GROWTH MUST BE ESTABLISHED

Expected Start Date: OCD will be notified 48 hours prior to start date or any sampling activities Finish Date Unk.

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 11-29-06 elkeenv@yahoo.com 432-366-0043  
Printed Name/Title C. H. Kerby/ Agent Signature C. H. Kerby - Elke Environmental

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 L. JOHNSON - ENVIRO ENGR Signature [Signature] Date: 12.9.06