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**OCD REQUEST  
CLOSURE PLAN**

**May 17, 2024**

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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**CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT # 7019 1640 0000 7986 5704**

May 17, 2024

Mr. Dale Ray Burnett  
Saunders Landfarm, LLC  
4624 W. Pinson Rd.  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88242

RE: Extension Approval for Submitting a Closure and Post-closure Plan for Saunders Land Farm, LLC –  
Permit Number NM1-38

Dear Mr. Burnett:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) understands that Saunders Land Farm, LLC (Saunders) requested guidance from the OCD on how to properly close-out the landfarm associated with Permit Number NM1-38. In the past, the OCD has sent letters to Saunders explaining that the landfarm is required to be closed out pursuant to **all** OCD requirements in effect at the time of closure. The current rule for surface waste management facilities is 19.15.36 NMAC. Furthermore on June 30, 2011, the OCD notified Saunders that they are required to meet the transitional provisions of 19.15.36 NMAC and that Saunders was required to conduct monitoring and sampling in accordance with their permit conditions and the applicable requirements in 19.15.36 NMAC. The OCD strongly encourages Saunders to review 19.15.36 NMAC in its entirety to fully understand all required regulatory obligations. Saunders is required by rule to submit a closure and post closure plan to the OCD. The OCD will review the submitted closure and post-closure plan to determine if the plan will be protective of fresh water, public health, and the environment. Note, this plan must include **all** proposed sampling and/or completed monitoring records required by Permit Number NM1-38 and 19.15.36 NMAC to properly close-out the landfarm. The OCD hereby, grants a 60-day extension from certified mail receipt of this notice to submit a closure and post-closure plan, including monitoring records not previously submitted to the OCD, if applicable. The closure and post-closure plan, including monitoring records, must be submitted through OCD's Permitting portal as a "[C-137] Non-Fee SWMF Submittal" for OCD's review and consideration of approval. Failure to comply with this notification may result in subsequent enforcement action(s). If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (505) 549-5583 or [Joseph.Kennedy@emnrd.nm.gov](mailto:Joseph.Kennedy@emnrd.nm.gov).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Kennedy".

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