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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 5:13 PM  
**To:** 'Hack Conder'  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Katie Jones'; Lara Weinheimer  
**Subject:** Corrective Action Plan (1R427-164) Approval - ROC EME B-7 Site

**RE: ICP Report and Corrective Action Plan for the Rice Operating Company's  
EME B-7 Site  
Unit Letter B, Section 7, T20S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Corrective Action Plan (1R427-164) Approval**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Corrective Action Plan for the EME B-7 Site, dated September 8, 2011, and has conducted a review of the Plan. The Plan indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC (Rule 29; formerly, Rule 116) for a remediation plan. Therefore, the OCD hereby conditionally approves the Corrective Action Plan as proposed for above-referenced site in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC:

ROC must submit to the OCD a report of the corrective actions, including the groundwater monitoring wells (MW-1 and MW-3) plugging report, within 120 days.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this plan does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility should operations pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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