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**Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD**

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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 18, 2012 9:40 AM  
**To:** 'Katie Jones'  
**Cc:** Hack Conder; Laura Pena; Lara Weinheimer  
**Subject:** Further Investigation Report Submittal Extension Approval (1R426-279) - ROC BD Jct C-23-1 Site

**RE: Further Investigation Report – Extension Request  
for the Rice Operating Company's  
BD Jct C-23-1 Site (1R426-279)  
Unit Letter C, Section 23, T22S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Further Investigation Report Submittal Extension Approval**

Dear Ms. Jones:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Further Investigation Report – Extension Request for the BD Jct C-23-1 Site, dated September 17, 2012, and has conducted a review of the Request. The OCD hereby conditionally approves the Request as proposed for above-referenced site in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC:

ROC must submit to the OCD a Further Investigation Report for Soil and Groundwater for the above-referenced site within 180 days.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this request 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.

Edward J. Hansen  
Hydrologist  
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**From:** Katie Jones [<mailto:kjones@riceswd.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2012 3:41 PM  
**To:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Cc:** Hack Conder; Laura Pena; Lara Weinheimer  
**Subject:** ROC - BD Jct. C-23-1 (1R426-279) Further Investigation - Extension Request

Mr. Hansen,

RICE Operating Company (ROC) respectfully requests an extension to complete the BD Jct. C-23-1 (1R426-279) further investigation requested by the NMOCD on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012. Due to time restraints and resource management issues, ROC requests an additional 180 days to complete the further investigation. Once the equipment is obtained and the site is delineated, a report detailing the results will be submitted to the NMOCD.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please let me or Hack Conder know.

Thank you.

Katie Jones  
Environmental Project Manager  
RICE *Operating Company*

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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2012 1:22 PM  
**To:** Hack Conder  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Katie Jones'; 'Lara Weinheimer'  
**Subject:** Further Investigation Plan for Soils and Groundwater (1R426-279) Approval - ROC BD Jct C-23-1 Site

**RE: Report of Further Investigation for the Rice Operating Company's  
BD Jct C-23-1 Site  
Unit Letter C, Section 23, T22S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Further Investigation Plan for Soils and Groundwater (1R426-279) Approval**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Report of Further Investigation, including further investigation plan, for the BD Jct C-23-1 Site, dated March 19, 2012, 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 further investigation plan as proposed for above-referenced site in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC:

ROC must submit to the OCD a report of the further investigation for soils and groundwater within 180 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.

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