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January 16th, 2012

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**RE: ICP Report and Termination Request
Rice Operating Company – EME SWD System
EME jet. P-27 (1R427-283): UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E**

Mr. Hansen:

RICE Operating Company (ROC) has retained Rice Environmental Consulting and Safety (RECS) to address potential environmental concerns at the above-referenced site in the EME Salt Water Disposal (SWD) system. ROC is the service provider (agent) for the EME SWD System and has no ownership of any portion of the pipeline, well, or facility. The system is owned by a consortium of oil producers, System Parties, who provide all operating capital on a percentage ownership/usage basis.

Background and Previous Work

The site is located approximately 4 miles west of Monument, New Mexico at UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E as shown on the Site Location Map (Figure 1). Soil bore installation conducted at the site found groundwater at a depth of +/- 17.5 ft bgs.

In 2007, ROC initiated work on the former EME P-27 junction box. The site was delineated using a backhoe to form a 30 ft x 30 ft x 12 ft deep excavation and soil samples were screened at regular intervals for both hydrocarbons and chlorides. From the excavation, the four-wall composite, the bottom composite and the backfill were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. Laboratory tests of the four-wall composite showed a chloride reading of 912 mg/kg and non-detect for gasoline range organics (GRO) and diesel range organics (DRO). The bottom composite showed a chloride laboratory reading of 1,020 mg/kg and GRO and DRO readings of non-detect. The excavated soil was blended on site and returned to the excavation up to 6 ft bgs. At 6 ft bgs, a shelf was excavated extending 5 ft out from the north, south and east walls. At approximately 6-5 ft bgs, a 1 ft clay layer was installed throughout the excavation. Laboratory analysis of the blended backfill showed a chloride reading of 608 mg/kg and GRO and DRO readings of non-detect. The site was backfilled with the blended soil and topped with clean, imported soil that was contoured to the surrounding area.

The area was seeded and an identification plate was placed on the surface of the site to mark its location for future environmental considerations. NMOCD was notified of potential groundwater impact on July 16th, 2008 and a junction box disclosure report was submitted to NMOCD with all the 2008 junction box closures and disclosures.

ICP Investigative Results

As part of the Investigation and Characterization Plan (ICP) approved by NMOCD on November 17th, 2011, six soil bores were installed at the site on December 13th and 15th, 2011 (Figure 2). SB-1 was installed on December 13th to check for the presence of groundwater at the site. Red bed clay, which delineates the bottom of the aquifer, was encountered at 18 ft bgs. Since no groundwater was evidenced during boring, the bore was advanced to 40 ft bgs to allow any groundwater present to accumulate within the bore. SB-1 was packed open for 48 hours and then gauged for groundwater by Harrison & Cooper, Inc. Groundwater was found in SB-1 at a depth of 17.5 ft bgs. The aquifer beneath the site was determined to be exceptionally thin, since the red bed clay that delineates the bottom of the aquifer and depth to groundwater were located within 6 inches of each other (Figure 3). Sampling was not conducted on SB-1, since no samples could be attained between the bottom of the junction box excavation of 12 ft bgs and the top of the capillary fringe.

Since groundwater was discovered at the site, SB-2 through SB-6 was subsequently advanced at the site on December 15th. RECS personnel field tested the soil for chlorides and screened in the field with a photo-ionization detector for hydrocarbons. Representative samples from the bores were taken to a commercial laboratory for confirmation of chloride and hydrocarbon field numbers (Appendix A). In SB-2 through SB-6, chloride laboratory readings decreased with depth from a high at 6-9 ft bgs to a low at the capillary fringe below or near 250 mg/kg, except for SB-5 which decreased to a chloride reading of 752 mg/kg at 15 ft bgs. GRO and DRO readings were non-detect for all samples (Figure 2).

Given the relatively low chloride concentrations across the site, it is reasonably assumed that the former junction box will in no way contribute to the degradation of groundwater. The site has an existing 40x35 ft clay layer installed at 6-5 ft bgs, which will impede migration of the residual chlorides and hydrocarbons. Vegetation has rebounded at the site (Figure 3), so no re-vegetation efforts are needed. Therefore, RECS requests "remediation termination" status of the regulatory file.

RECS appreciates the opportunity to work with you on this project. Please call Hack Conder at (575) 393-9174 or me if you have any questions or wish to discuss the site.

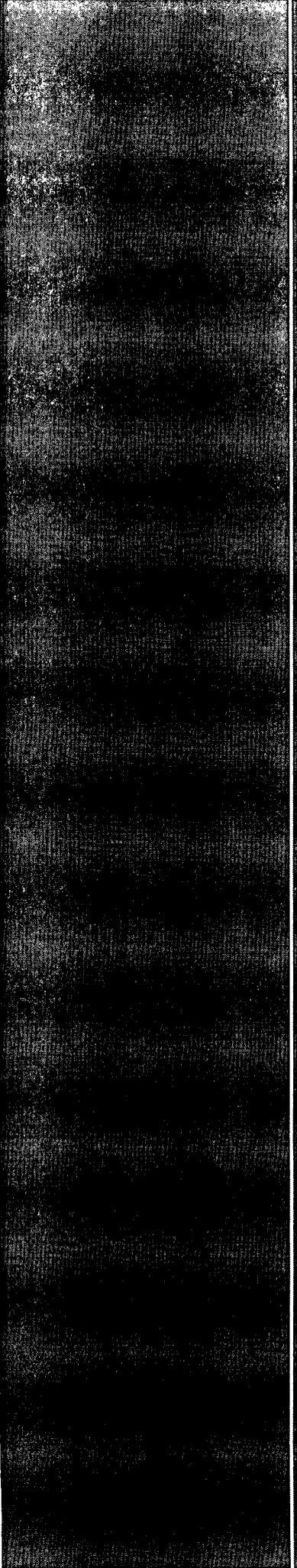
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Weinheimer', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Lara Weinheimer
Project Scientist
RECS
(575) 441-0431

Attachments:

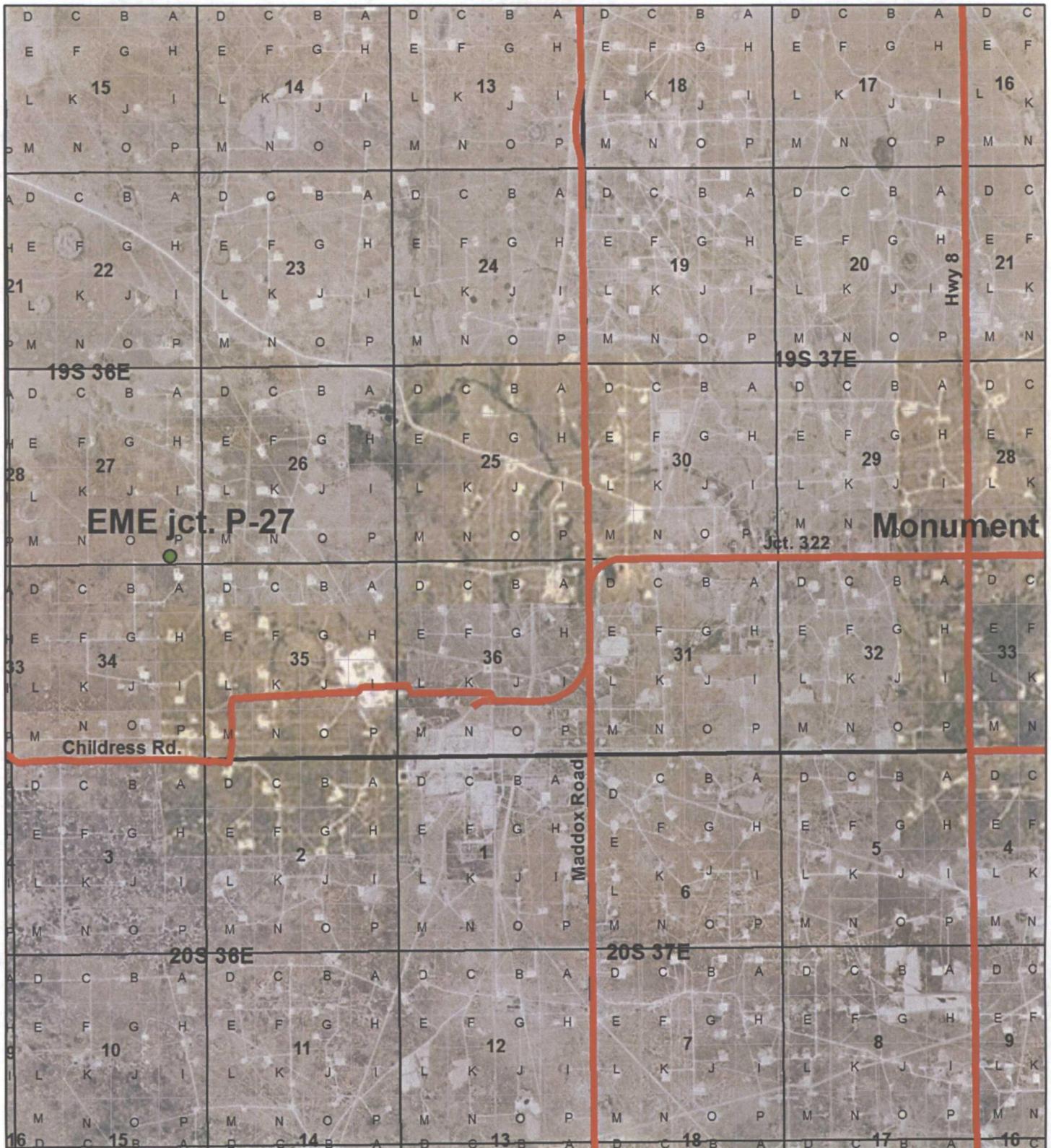
- Figure 1 – Site Location Map
- Figure 2 – Soil Bore Installation Map
- Figure 3 – Site Photo
- Appendix A – Soil Bore Logs and Laboratory Confirmation
- Appendix B – Groundwater Confirmation Letter



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Site Location

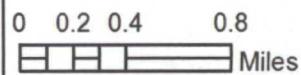


EME jct. P-27

LEGALS: UL/P sec. 27
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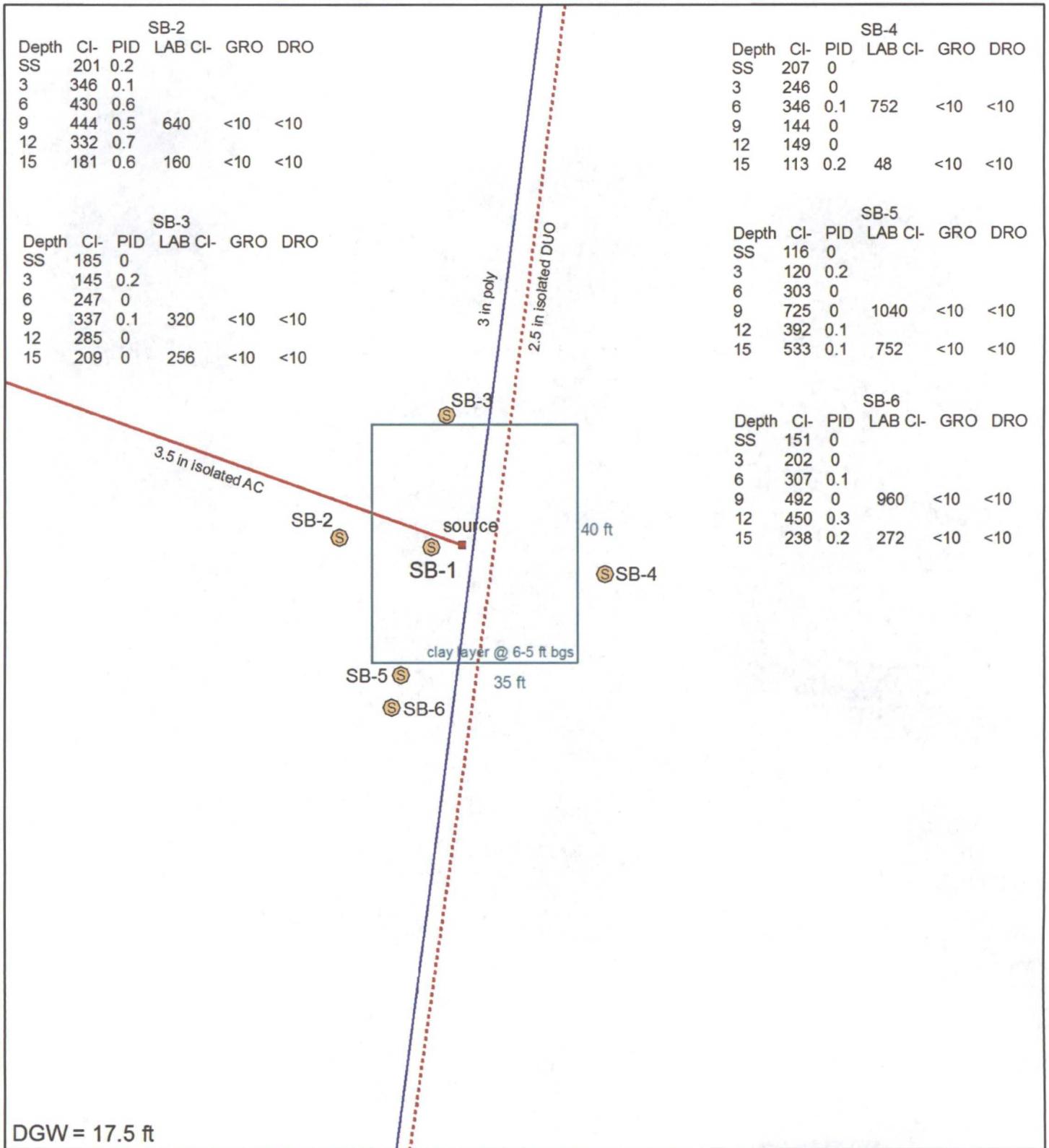
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Figure 1



Drawing date: 10/31/11
Drafted by: L. Weinheimer

Soil Bore Installation



DGW = 17.5 ft

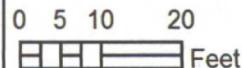


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Figure 2



Drawing date: 12/28/11
Drafted by: L. Weinheimer

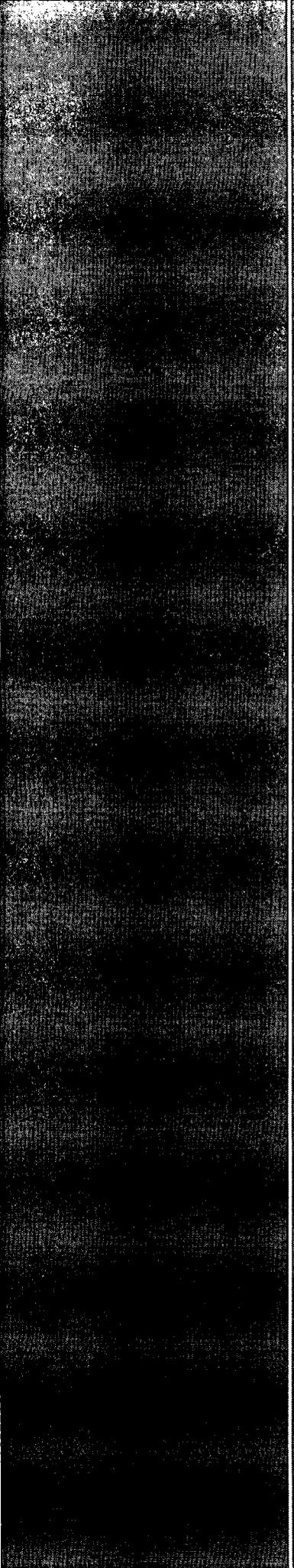
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Site photo, facing south

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Figure 3

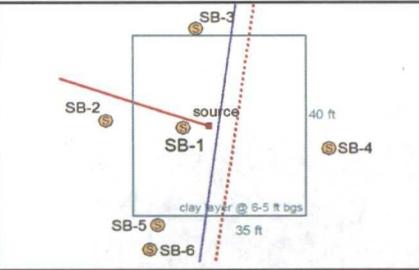


Appendix A

Soil Bore Logs and Laboratory Confirmation

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Logger: Kyle Norman
Driller: Harrison & Cooper, Inc.
Drilling Method: Air rotary
Start Date: 12/13/2011
End Date: 12/13/2011



Project Name: EME jct. P-27
Well ID: SB-1
Project Consultant: RECS

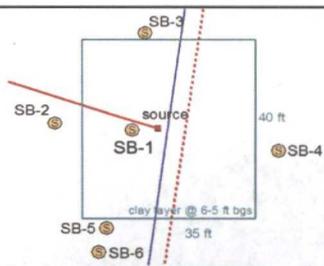
Comments: SB-1 is located 5 ft west of the former junction box site. This bore was advanced to determine depth to groundwater.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 40 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.597"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'11.231"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
SS				Regolith		
3 ft						
				Tan Sand		
10 ft						
				Tan Sand With Some Caliche		
15 ft						
20 ft						
25 ft						
30 ft				RED BED CLAY ENCOUNTERED AT 18 FT BGS		
35 ft						
40 ft						

bentonite seal

Logger: Kyle Norman
Driller: Harrison & Cooper, Inc.
Drilling Method: Air rotary
Start Date: 12/15/2011
End Date: 12/15/2011



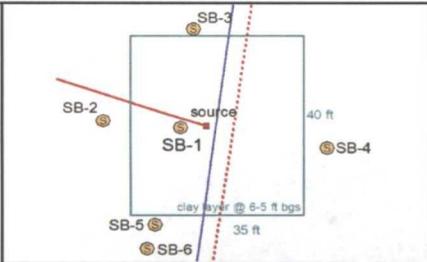
Project Name: EME jct. P-27
Well ID: SB-2
Project Consultant: RECS

Comments: SB-2 is located 21 ft west of the former junction box site. All samples were from cuttings.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 15 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.618"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'11.419"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
				Redish Brown Sand		bentonite seal
SS	201		0.2			
				Brown Sand With Caliche		
3 ft	346		0.1			
				Tan Sand		
6 ft	430		0.6			
				Brown Sand With Some Caliche		
9 ft	444	CI-640	0.5			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				
12 ft	332		0.7			
				Tan Sand With Caliche		
15 ft	181	CI-160	0.6			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				

Logger: Kyle Norman
Driller: Harrison & Cooper, Inc.
Drilling Method: Air rotary
Start Date: 12/15/2011
End Date: 12/15/2011



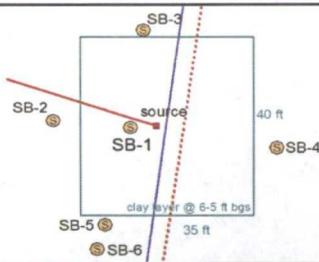
Project Name: EME jct. P-27
Well ID: SB-3
Project Consultant: RECS

Comments: SB-3 is located 22 ft north of the former junction box site. All samples were from cuttings.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 15 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.819"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'11.197"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
				Reddish Brown Sand		
SS	185		0.0			
				Tan Sand With Some Caliche		
3 ft	145		0.2			
				Tan Sand With Caliche		
6 ft	247		0.0			
				Tan Sand With Caliche		
9 ft	337	CI-320	0.1			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				
12 ft	285		0.0			
				Red Sand With Caliche		
15 ft	209	CI-256	0.0			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				

Logger: Kyle Norman
Driller: Harrison & Cooper, Inc.
Drilling Method: Air rotary
Start Date: 12/15/2011
End Date: 12/15/2011



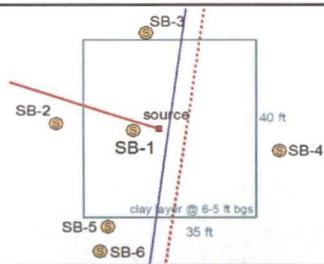
Project Name: EME jct. P-27
Well ID: SB-4
Project Consultant: RECS

Comments: SB-4 is located 25 ft east of the former junction box site. All samples were from cuttings.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 15 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.556"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'10.885"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
				Reddish Brown Sand		
SS	207		0.0			
				Tan Sand With Some Caliche		
3 ft	246		0.0			
6 ft	346	Cl-752	0.1			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				
9 ft	144		0.0			
				Tan Sand With Caliche		
12 ft	149		0.0			
15 ft	113	Cl-48	0.2			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				

Logger: Kyle Norman
Driller: Harrison & Cooper, Inc.
Drilling Method: Air rotary
Start Date: 12/15/2011
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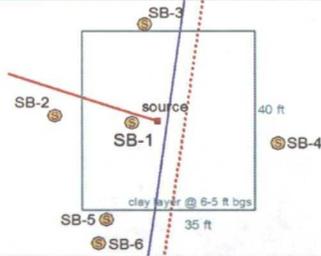
Project Name: EME jct. P-27
Well ID: SB-5
Project Consultant: RECS

Comments: SB-5 is located 24 ft SSW of the former junction box site. All samples were from cuttings.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 15 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.39"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'11.293"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
				Reddish Brown Sand		
SS	116		0.0			
3 ft	120		0.2	Brown Sand With Caliche		
6 ft	303		0.0			
9 ft	725	Cl-1040 GRO <10 DRO <10	0.0			
12 ft	392		0.1	Brown Sand With Some Caliche		
15 ft	533	Cl-752 GRO <10 DRO <10	0.1			

Logger: Kyle Norman
Driller: Harrison & Cooper, Inc.
Drilling Method: Air rotary
Start Date: 12/15/2011
End Date: 12/15/2011



Project Name: EME jct. P-27
Well ID: SB-6
Project Consultant: RECS

Comments: SB-6 is located 30 ft SSW of the former junction box site. All samples were from cuttings.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 15 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.334"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'11.316"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
				Reddish Brown Sand		 bentonite seal
SS	151		0.0			
				Brown Sand With Caliche		
3 ft	202		0.0			
6 ft	307		0.1			
9 ft	492	CI-960	0.0			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10		Tan Sand With Caliche		
12 ft	450		0.3			
15 ft	238	CI-272	0.2			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				

December 19, 2011

Hack Conder
Rice Operating Company
112 W. Taylor
Hobbs, NM 88240

RE: EME P-27 JCT 19S-36E

Enclosed are the results of analyses for samples received by the laboratory on 12/15/11 13:50.

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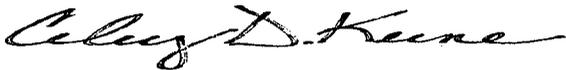
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This report meets NELAP requirements and is made up of a cover page, analytical results, and a copy of the original chain-of-custody. If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Celey D. Keene
Lab Director/Quality Manager

Analytical Results For:

 Rice Operating Company
 Hack Conder
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 Hobbs NM, 88240
 Fax To: (575) 397-1471

 Received: 12/15/2011
 Reported: 12/19/2011
 Project Name: EME P-27 JCT 19S-36E
 Project Number: NONE GIVEN
 Project Location: NOT GIVEN

 Sampling Date: 12/15/2011
 Sampling Type: Soil
 Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
 Sample Received By: Jodi Henson

Sample ID: SB 2 @ 9' (H102704-01)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	640	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	432	108	400	0.00		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/17/2011	ND	193	96.4	200	4.86		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/17/2011	ND	189	94.7	200	1.39		
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane</i>	68.8 %	55.5-154								
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane</i>	81.5 %	57.6-158								

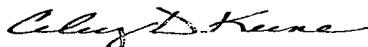
Sample ID: SB 2 @ 15' (H102704-02)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	160	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	432	108	400	0.00		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/17/2011	ND	193	96.4	200	4.86		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/17/2011	ND	189	94.7	200	1.39		
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane</i>	75.6 %	55.5-154								
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane</i>	96.3 %	57.6-158								

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Received:	12/15/2011	Sampling Date:	12/15/2011
Reported:	12/19/2011	Sampling Type:	Soil
Project Name:	EME P-27 JCT 19S-36E	Sampling Condition:	Cool & Intact
Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	NOT GIVEN		

Sample ID: SB 3 @ 9' (H102704-03)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	320	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	432	108	400	0.00		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 91.9 % 55.5-154

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 99.9 % 57.6-158

Sample ID: SB 3 @ 15' (H102704-04)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	256	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	432	108	400	0.00		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		

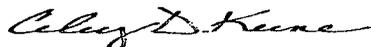
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Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 97.5 % 57.6-158

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Reported:	12/19/2011	Sampling Type:	Soil
Project Name:	EME P-27 JCT 19S-36E	Sampling Condition:	Cool & Intact
Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	NOT GIVEN		

Sample ID: SB 4 @ 6' (H102704-05)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	752	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	432	108	400	0.00		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane</i>		175 %	<i>55.5-154</i>							
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane</i>		189 %	<i>57.6-158</i>							

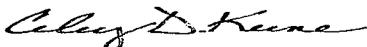
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Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	48.0	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	464	116	400	7.14		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane</i>		94.3 %	<i>55.5-154</i>							
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane</i>		104 %	<i>57.6-158</i>							

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Analytical Results For:

 Rice Operating Company
 Hack Conder
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 Fax To: (575) 397-1471

Received:	12/15/2011	Sampling Date:	12/15/2011
Reported:	12/19/2011	Sampling Type:	Soil
Project Name:	EME P-27 JCT 19S-36E	Sampling Condition:	Cool & Intact
Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	NOT GIVEN		

Sample ID: SB 5 @ 9' (H102704-07)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	1040	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	464	116	400	7.14		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 89.2 % 55.5-154

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 95.9 % 57.6-158

Sample ID: SB 5 @ 15' (H102704-08)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	752	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	464	116	400	7.14		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		

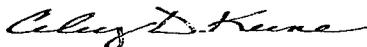
Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 88.4 % 55.5-154

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 95.2 % 57.6-158

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Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	NOT GIVEN		

Sample ID: SB 6 @ 9' (H102704-09)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	960	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	464	116	400	7.14		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane</i>		82.9 %	<i>55.5-154</i>							
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane</i>		85.3 %	<i>57.6-158</i>							

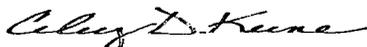
Sample ID: SB 6 @ 15' (H102704-10)

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	272	16.0	12/17/2011	ND	464	116	400	7.14		
TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	219	109	200	2.25		
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	12/18/2011	ND	214	107	200	2.71		
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane</i>		87.6 %	<i>55.5-154</i>							
<i>Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane</i>		95.6 %	<i>57.6-158</i>							

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- S-04 The surrogate recovery for this sample is outside of established control limits due to a sample matrix effect.
- ND Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
- RPD Relative Percent Difference
- ** Samples not received at proper temperature of 6°C or below.
- *** Insufficient time to reach temperature.
- Chloride by SM4500Cl-B does not require samples be received at or below 6°C
Samples reported on an as received basis (wet) unless otherwise noted on report

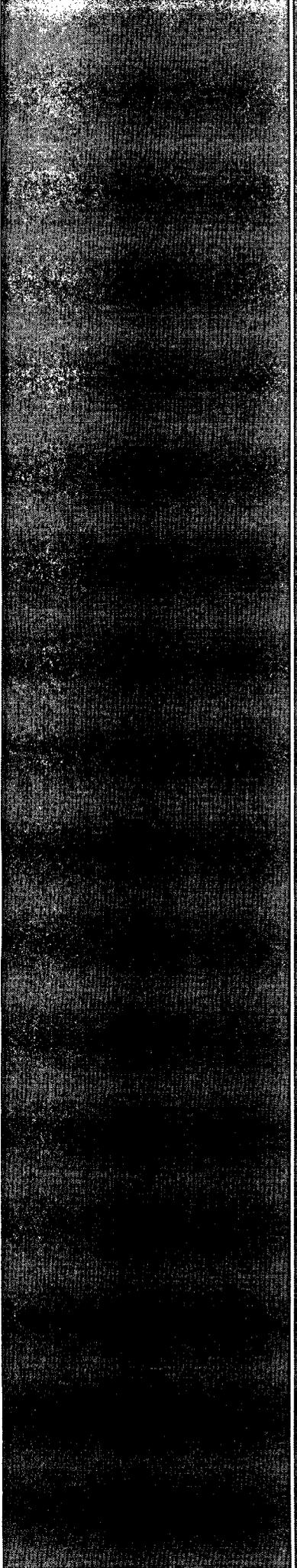
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Appendix B

Groundwater Confirmation Letter

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January 3, 2012

Rice Operating
112 W. Taylor
Hobbs, NM 88240

Attn: Lara Weinheimer

RE: Site: EME Jct. P-27

The aquifer at EME P-27 does not contain the capacity to install a submersible pump for treatment due to the lack of saturated thickness. The actual saturated thickness was approximately 6" with a static water level of approximately 17.5'

Sincerely,

Kenny Cooper

Copies: File
Email (Lara Weinheimer; Katie Jones)

Regulated by: Texas Dept. of Licensing & Regulation, Water Well Division, P.O. Box 12157, Austin, TX 78711, (800) 803-9202

From: [Katie Jones](#)
To: [Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD](#)
Cc: [Hack Conder](#); [Laura Pena](#); [Lara Weinheimer](#)
Subject: ROC - EME Jct. P-27 (1R427-283) ICP Report and Termination Request Addendum
Date: Monday, March 05, 2012 9:54:59 AM
Attachments: [EME Jct. P-27 \(1R427-283\) Aquifer Thickness Letter.pdf](#)

Mr. Hansen,

This email is an Addendum to the EME Jct. P-27 (1R427-283) ICP Report and Termination Request, submitted to the NMOCD on January 16, 2012. The attached letter was written by Harrison & Cooper, Inc. and will be included in the report as Appendix B, replacing the previous. If you need any further information, please let me or Hack know.

Thank you.

Katie Jones
Environmental Project Manager
RICE Operating Company

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February 28, 2012

**RE: Rice Operating Company
EME Jct. P-27 Soil Boring**

To Whom It May Concern,

Harrison & Cooper, Inc. (HCI) was and is currently contracted by Rice Operating Company to provide drilling and sampling services for subsurface investigations.

During an investigation at EME Jct. P-27 near Monument, NM, HCI drilled a soil boring to 40' BGS to allow Rice Operating Company to determine if groundwater existed at that particular location. Upon reaching the desired depth, an encounter with groundwater was not apparent; however, groundwater "seeped" into the wellbore from a thin saturated interval approximately 6 inches thick from 18.0' to 18.5'. The zone did not have any indications of moisture during the drilling process.

Immediately below the thin saturated interval from 18.5' to 40' TD is dry impermeable red clay. The red clay in this region is also referred to as the "red bed". This geologic zone is an aquiclude. An aquiclude is material that allows zero permeability; therefore, at EME Jct. P-27 only 6" of saturated thickness exists because water is not permeating through the red bed. If HCI would have drilled through the saturated interval to a depth of 18.5' and stopped at the red clay, there is only 6" of saturated thickness that would not provide the specific capacity required to yield water using the smallest submersible pump.

In conclusion, the aquifer at this location does not contain the specific capacity to yield the desired amount of water due to lack of saturated thickness.

Sincerely,

Kenny Cooper
Operations Manager

KRC/ch
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Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD

From: Laura Pena <lpena@riceswd.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 24, 2012 1:19 PM
To: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD
Cc: Hack Conder; Katie Jones; Lara Weinheimer
Subject: EME Jct. P-27 (1R427-283) Requested Additional Information
Attachments: EME Jct. O-30 SB-1 log.pdf; EME jct. P-27 SB-1 log.pdf; EME jct. P-27 Area of No Groundwater.jpg

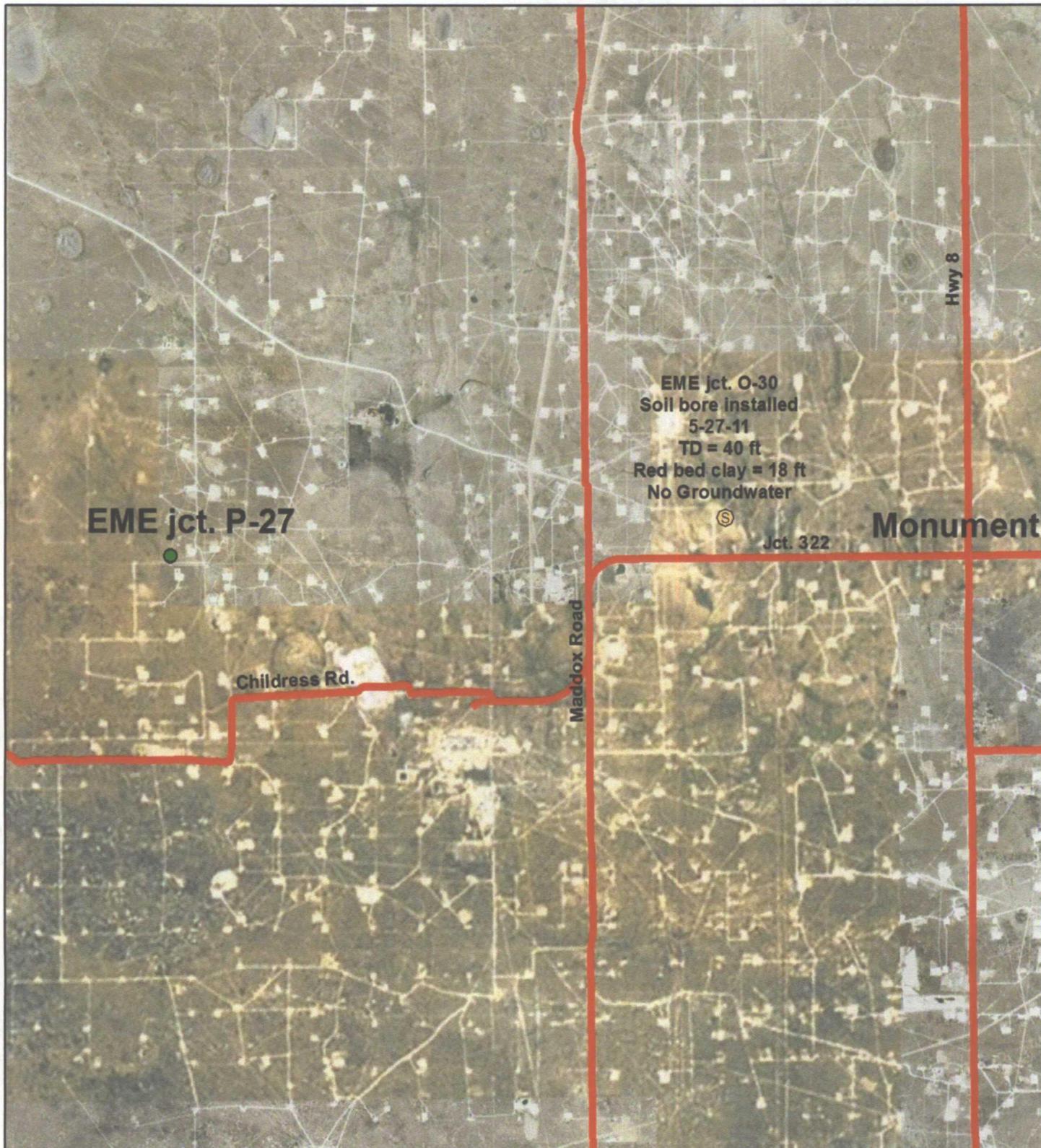
Mr. Hansen,

As per NMOCD request, a plat depicting the relationship of EME jct. P-27 to EME jct. O-30 is attached. The EME jct. O-30 site has no groundwater as evidenced by the soil bore log (also attached), in which red bed clay was encountered at 18 ft bgs. The EME jct. O-30 soil bore log also serves as a comparison to the EME jct. P-27 soil bore log, which shows red bed clay was encountered at 18 ft bgs and extends through the total depth of the soil bore, 40 ft bgs. Both sites have similar lithology results preceding the encountering of red bed clay. As such, the aquifer at this location does not contain the specific capacity to yield the desired amount of water due to lack of saturated thickness.

If you have any questions, or require any additional information, please contact Hack Conder at (575) 631-6432.

Thank you,
Laura Peña

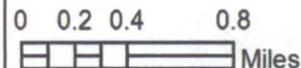
Area of No Groundwater



EME jct. P-27

LEGALS: UL/P sec. 27
T-19-S R-36-E

NMOCD Case #: 1R427-283



Drawing date: 10/31/11
Drafted by: L. Weinheimer

Logger:	Kyle Norman		
Driller:	Harrison & Cooper, Inc.		
Drilling Method:	Air rotary		
Start Date:	12/13/2011		
End Date:	12/13/2011	Project Name: EME jct. P-27 Well ID: SB-1 Project Consultant: RECS	

Comments: SB-1 is located 5 ft west of the former junction box site. This bore was advanced to determine depth to groundwater.
DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer
 TD = 40 ft GW = 17.5 ft

Location: UL/P sec. 27 T19S R36E
Lat: 32°37'28.597"N **County:** Lea
Long: 103°20'11.231"W **State:** NM

Depth (feet)	Chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
SS				Regolith		
3 ft						
				Tan Sand		
10 ft						
				Tan Sand With Some Caliche		
15 ft						
20 ft						
25 ft						
30 ft				RED BED CLAY ENCOUNTERED AT 18 FT BGS		
35 ft						
40 ft						

bentonite seal

Logger:	Jordan Woodfin		
Driller:	Harrison & Cooper, Inc.		
Drilling Method:	Air rotary		
Start Date:	5/27/2011		
End Date:	5/27/2011	Project Name: EME jct. O-30 Well ID: SB-1 Project Consultant: RECS	
Comments: Located 1 ft north west of the former junction box site. All samples were from cuttings. <u>SOIL BORE PLUGGED 6.17.11</u> DRAFTED BY: L. Weinheimer TD = 40 GW = none			Location: UL/O sec. 30 T19S R37E Lat: 32°37'37.707"N County: Lea Long: 103°17'12.446"W State: NM

Depth (feet)	chloride field tests	LAB	PID	Description	Lithology	Well Construction
				Brownish fine sand mixed with small caliche fragments		2 in PVC
15 ft	282		8.2			
				Brownish fine sand mixed with small caliche fragments and intermittent purple clay		
18 ft	296	Cl-272	11.3			
		GRO <10		Purple clay		
		DRO 174				
21 ft	238	Cl-128	3.9			
		GRO <10				
		DRO <10				
24 ft						
						annular space left open SOIL BORE PLUGGED 6/17/2011
27 ft						
				NO SAMPLES TAKEN		
30 ft						
33 ft						
36 ft						
39 ft						
40 ft						