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From: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2013 4:05 PM
To: Hack Conder (hconder@riceswd.com)
Cc: Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; Laura Pena (lpna@riceswd.com); Katie Jones <kjones@riceswd.com> (kjones@riceswd.com); Scott Curtis (scurtis@riceswd.com)
Subject: Remediation Plan (1R427-111) Termination - ROC EME K-32 Site

**RE: Termination Request
for the Rice Operating Company's
EME K-32 Site
Unit Letter K, Section 32, T20S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico
Remediation Plan (1R427-111) Termination**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Rice Operating Company's report and request to close the above-referenced site, dated February 1, 2013 (received February 4, 2013). The reports are acceptable to the OCD.

The above-referenced report, submitted in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC (Rule 29; formally, Rule 116), indicates that Rice Operating Company has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC; therefore, the OCD approves the report and hereby notifies you that the remediation plan (1R427-111) is terminated in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this report 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
Environmental Bureau

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RICE *Operating Company*

122 West Taylor • Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

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CERTIFIED MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT NO. 7007 2560 0000 4569 8791

February 1, 2013

Mr. Edward Hansen
New Mexico Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Termination Request
EME K-32 (1R427-111): UL/K Sec. 32, **T20S, R37E**
RICE Operating Company – Eunice Monument Eumont SWD System

Mr. Hansen:

Rice Operating Company (ROC) is the service provider (agent) for the EME Saltwater Disposal (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

In 2001, ROC initiated work on the former K-32 junction box. The site is located in UL/K, Sec. 32, T20S, R37E. NM OSE records indicate that groundwater would likely be encountered at a depth of approximately 36 +/- feet. After the former junction box was removed, the site was delineated using a backhoe to collect soil samples at regular intervals, creating a 12x14x12 ft deep excavation. Each sample was field titrated for chlorides, resulting in low concentrations. Representative composite samples of the excavation bottom and the excavation walls were sent to a commercial for analysis of chloride, TPH and BTEX, resulting in a sidewall chloride concentration of 129 mg/kg and concentrations of gasoline range organics (GRO), diesel range organics (DRO) and BTEX below detectable limits. The bottom composite resulted in a chloride concentration of 259 mg/kg and concentrations of gasoline range organics (GRO), diesel range organics (DRO) and BTEX below detectable limits. A compacted clay layer was installed and the excavation was backfilled with clean soil to ground surface and contoured to the surrounding area. A new, water-tight junction box was built over the same location.

The junction box site location map, final report, laboratory analysis, disposal manifests and current photodocumentation are attached.

Recommendations

Site investigation demonstrates that residual chloride and hydrocarbons in the vadose zone will not with reasonable probability contaminate groundwater in excess of NMOCD standards. This site meets the requirements of the NMOCD-approved Revised Junction Box Upgrade Work Plan (July 16, 2003). As such, ROC request termination of the regulatory file, or similar closure status.

Please contact me at (575)393-9174 if you have any questions or wish to discuss this site. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
RICE Operating Company

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Conder", with a stylized flourish at the end.

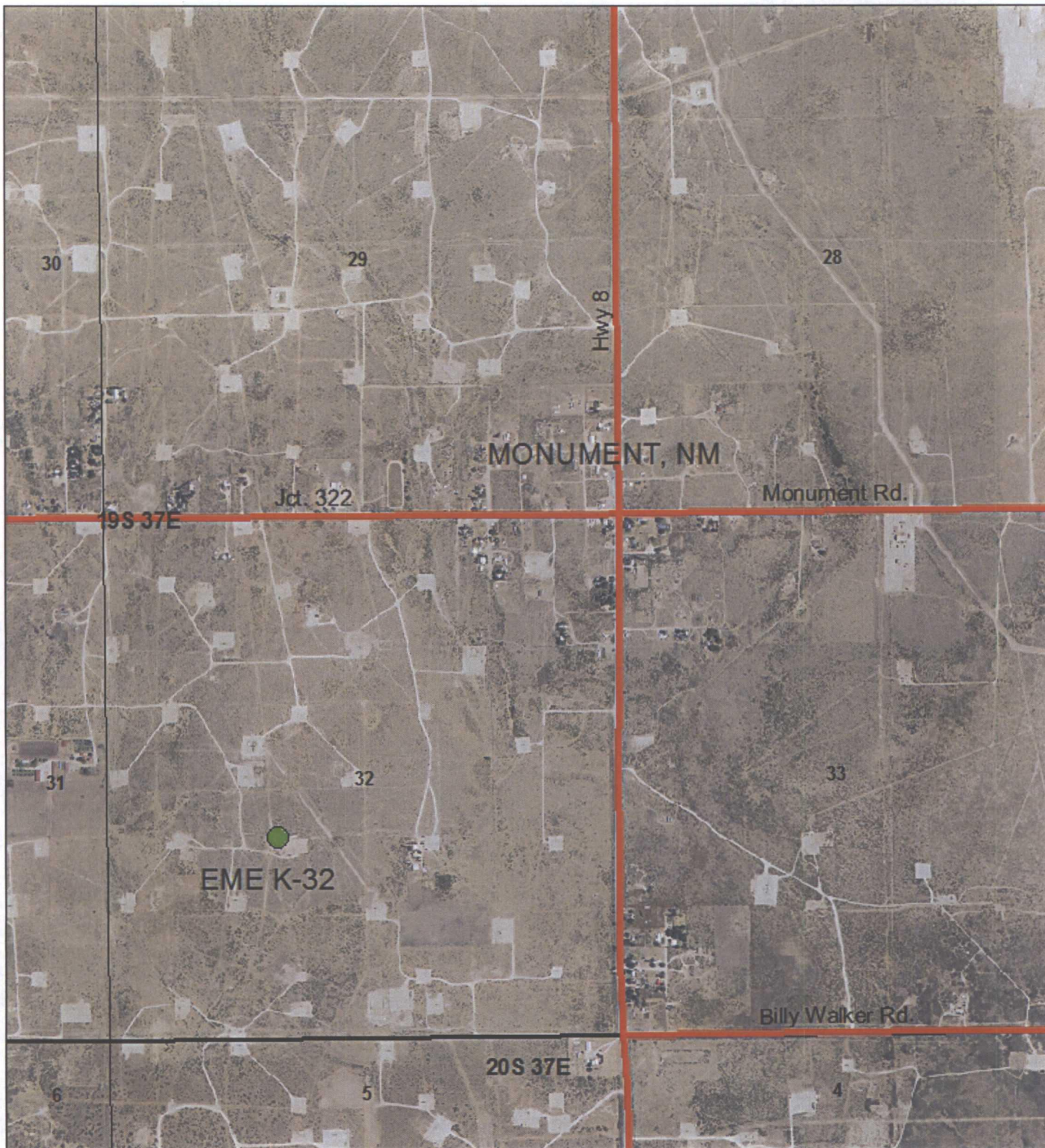
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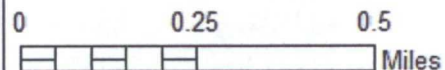
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**EME
K-32**

**UL K SECTION 32
T-19-S R-37-E
LEA COUNTY, NM**



Drawing date: 12/7/12
Drafted by: Tony Grieco



Junction Box Report

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**RICE OPERATING COMPANY
JUNCTION BOX FINAL REPORT**

BOX LOCATION

SWD SYSTEM	JUNCTION	UNIT	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	COUNTY	BOX DIMENSIONS - FEET		
EME	K-32	K	32	20S	37E	LEA	Length 8	Width 5	Depth 5

LAND TYPE: BLM _____ STATE X FEE LANDOWNER _____ OTHER _____

Depth to Groundwater 36 feet NMOCD SITE ASSESSMENT RANKING SCORE: 20

Date Started 01/29/2001 Date Completed 01/29/2001 OCD Witness NO

Soil Excavated 72 cubic yards Excavation Length 12 Width 14 Depth 12 feet

Soil Disposed 72 cubic yards Offsite Facility SUNDANCE Location EUNICE, NM

FINAL ANALYTICAL RESULTS: Sample Date 01/29/2001 Sample Depth 12'

Procure 5-point composite sample of bottom and 4-point composite sample of sidewalls. TPH, BTEX and Chloride laboratory test results completed by using an approved lab and testing procedures pursuant to NMOCD guidelines.

Sample Location	Benzene mg/kg	Toluene mg/kg	Ethyl Benzene mg/kg	Total Xylenes mg/kg	GRO mg/kg	DRO mg/kg	Chlorides mg/kg
SIDEWALLS	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.006	<50	<50	129
BOTTOM	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.006	<50	<50	259

General Description of Remedial Action: Delineated lateral and vertical extent.

Hauled high impact soil to permitted disposal facility. Installed a compact clay barrier and watertight junction box and backfilled with fresh soil.

CHLORIDE FIELD TESTS

LOCATION	DEPTH	mg/kg
SIDEWALLS	5-12'	190
BOTTOM	12'	230

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

DATE January 29, 2001 PRINTED NAME Chris Rodriguez

SIGNATURE Chris Rodriguez TITLE Environmental Technician



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ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR
RICE OPERATING CO.
ATTN: JAMES STURGILL
122 W. TAYLOR
HOBBS, NM 88240
FAX TO:

Receiving Date: 01/29/01
Reporting Date: 01/30/01
Project Number: K-32 EME
Project Name: K-32 SIDES AND BOTTOM
Project Location: UK SECTION T20 R37

Sampling Date: 01/29/01
Sample Type: SOIL
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT
Sample Received By: AH
Analyzed By: BC/AH

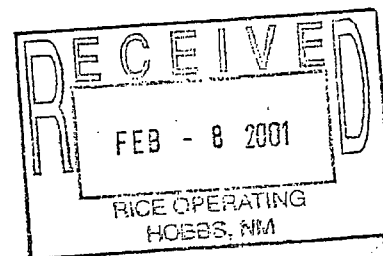
LAB NUMBER SAMPLE ID

	GRO (C ₆ -C ₁₀) (mg/Kg)	DRO (C ₁₀ -C ₂₈) (mg/Kg)	Cl* (mg/Kg)
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ANALYSIS DATE	01/29/01	01/29/01	01/30/01
H5562-1 K-32 SIDES	<50	<50	129
H5562-2 K-32 BOTTOM	<50	<50	259
Quality Control	760	761	1051
True Value QC	800	800	1000
% Recovery	95.0	95.1	105
Relative Percent Difference	3.3	0.2	3.9

METHODS: TPH GRO & DRO: EPA SW-846 8015 M; Cl*: Std. Methods 4500-Cl*B

*Analyses performed on 1:4 w:v aqueous extracts.



Bryant R. Cochrane
Chemist

1/30/01
Date

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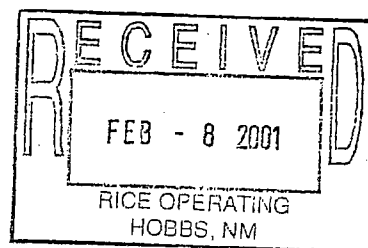
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RICE OPERATING COMPANY
ATTN: JAMES STURGILL
122 W. TAYLOR
HOBBS, NM 88240
FAX TO:

Receiving Date: 01/29/01
Reporting Date: 02/01/01
Project Number: K-32 EME
Project Name: K-32 SIDES AND BOTTOM
Project Location: UK SECTION 5 T20 R37
32
CK

Sampling Date: 01/29/01
Sample Type: SOIL
Sample Condition: COOL, INTACT
Sample Received By: AH
Analyzed By: JA

LAB NUMBER	SAMPLE ID	BENZENE (mg/Kg)	TOLUENE (mg/Kg)	ETHYL BENZENE (mg/Kg)	TOTAL XYLENES (mg/Kg)
ANALYSIS DATE		02/01/01	02/01/01	02/01/01	02/01/01
H5562-1	K-32 SIDES	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.006
H5562-2	K-32 BOTTOM	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.006
Quality Control		0.097	0.106	0.095	0.290
True Value QC		0.100	0.100	0.100	0.300
% Accuracy		97	106	95	97
Relative Percent Difference		3.1	0.7	3.0	2.4

METHOD: EPA SW 846-8020, 5030, Gas Chromatography




Chemist

2-1-01
Date

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Delivered By: (Circle One) Sampler - UPS - Bus - Other:				Sample Condition Cool Intact <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No		CHECKED BY: (Initials)	
REMARKS:							

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LEASE NAME: CAR SW

TRANSPORTER COMPANY: HICE

TIME:

AM/PM

DATE: 12/20

VEHICLE NO.: 11

DRIVER NO.:

CHARGE TO: HICE

TYPE OF MATERIAL

☐ Production Water

☐ Drilling Fluids

☐ Completion Fluids

☐ Tank Bottoms

☐ Contaminated soil

☐ C-117 No.: _____

☐ Other Material:

☐ BS&W Content: _____

Description: OR

VOLUME OF MATERIAL ☐ BBLs. _____ :

☐ YARD 12 :

☐ _____

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LEASE NAME: EMF SUM K-32

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TIME:

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DATE: 12-01

VEHICLE NO.: 11

DRIVER NO.:

CHARGE TO: Bucc

TYPE OF MATERIAL

☐ Production Water

☐ Drilling Fluids

☐ Completion Fluids

☐ Tank Bottoms

☐ Contaminated soil

☐ C-117 No.: _____

☐ Other Material:

☐ BS&W Content: _____

Description: oil

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LEASE OPERATOR/SHIPPER/COMPANY: WILLIS

LEASE NAME: WILLIS

TRANSPORTER COMPANY: WILLIS

TIME: 7:00 AM/PM

DATE: 12/12/95 VEHICLE NO.: 11

DRIVER NO.:

CHARGE TO: WILLIS OPER

TYPE OF MATERIAL

☐ Production Water

☐ Drilling Fluids

☐ Completion Fluids

☐ Tank Bottoms

☐ Contaminated soil

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☐ BS&W Content: _____

Description: oil

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DATE: 12/27/95

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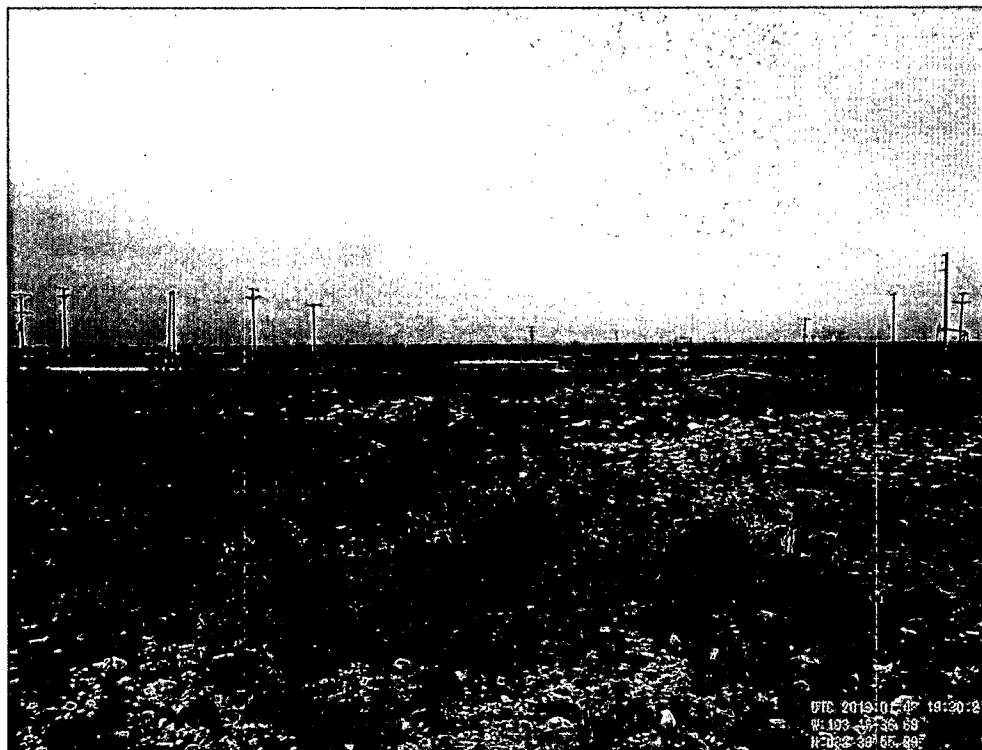
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Facing East

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Facing South

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Unit Letter K, Section 32, T20S, R37E



Facing East

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