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Subject: Suspension of Laboratory Analyses for BTEX Approval (AP-71) - ROC BD H-35 Emergency Overflow Pit Site

**RE: Suspension of Laboratory Analyses for BTEX Approval
for the Rice Operating Company's
BD H-35 Emergency Overflow Pit Site (AP-71)
Unit Letter H, Section 35, T22S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Conder:

Upon review of the request for suspension of laboratory analyses for BTEX, dated March 21, 2013, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) hereby approves the suspension of laboratory analyses for BTEX at groundwater monitoring well, MW-1, at the above-reference site.

The above approval is based on either eight consecutive sampling events that indicate that the respective standards have been met or that the four initial sampling events have indicated that there has been no detection of BTEX. However, the OCD may require additional sampling on a case-by-case basis (e.g., increasing concentration trend or elevated concentrations of BTEX in the vadose zone). Therefore, future requests for suspension of laboratory analyses for BTEX must be submitted to the OCD on a case-by-case basis, which include a table of all soil and groundwater monitoring results.

Please be advised that this OCD approval 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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