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District II Ener	Energy Minerals and Natural Resources			Revised October 10, 2003				
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210 District III	Oil Conservation Division			Submit 2 Copies to appropriate District Office in accordance				
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 District IV		1 St. Francis Dr.				th Rule 11		
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Release N	otificatio	n and Corrective	Action					
30-015-05442		OPERATOR			al Report	ГП Fin	nal Repor	
Name of Company: Merit Energy Company		Contact: Dwain Wall			ar report_		a Report	
Address: P.O. Box 69, Loco Hills N.M., 88255	Telephone No.: 505-67							
acility Name: Turner B South Battery Facility Type: Production battery			n battery					
Surface Owner: BLM Mi	face Owner: BLM Mineral Owner: BLM				Lease No.: LC-029395-B			
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Latitude <u>32.80</u>		Longitude103.89	028					
Type of Release: Skim oil & produced water	NATURE	OF RELEASE Volume of Release: -5	00 bble	Volume 1	Recovered:	~170		
Source of Release: Water Tanks		Date and Hour of Occur		and the second se	Hour of Dis			
		8/31/07 01:00		8/31/07	7:30			
Was Immediate Notice Given?	If YES, To Whom? Jim Amos (BLM) & Jerry Guy (OCD)							
				Date and Hour: 9/04/07 8:00				
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NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

BILL RICHARDSON Governor Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. Director Oil Conservation Division

September 6, 2007

Merit Energy Company PO Box 69 Loco Hills, NM 88255

ATTN: Dwain Wall

RE: Turner B South Battery

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of your C-141 on the oil and produced water release, at this facility.

NMOCD Rule 19.15.3.116 states in part ..."The responsible person must complete division approved corrective action for releases which endanger public health or the environment. Releases will be addressed in accordance with a remediation plan submitted to and approved by the division or with an abatement plan submitted in accordance with Section 19 of 19.15.1 NMAC."

Information and tools for proper corrective action may be found in the Environmental Handbook on our web site <u>www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd</u> under the heading publications.

Remediation requirements may be subject to other federal, state and local laws or regulations.

Within 30 days, on or before October 6, 2007, completion of corrective activities should be finalized and a final report summarizing all actions taken to mitigate environmental damage related to the leak, spill or release will be provided to OCD for approval.

Please be advised that NMOCD acceptance and/or approval of documents or work plans does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance and/or approval of documents or work plans do not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, local laws and/or regulations.

If I may be of further service or if you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Gerry Guye Compliance Officer NMOCD District II, Artesia (505) 748-1283 ext 105 Cell (505) 626-0843 E-mail: <u>gerry.guye@state.nm.us</u> j,

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To:	Jerry Guy	From:	Jim Hollon	
Fax	505-748-9720	Pages:	2	
Phone:	505-748-1283	Date:	9/4/2007	
Re:	Turner B South Battery	spill CC:		
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• Comments:

Mr. Guy,

Friday morning Merit Energy discovered a spill at their Turner B South battery. An estimated 500 bbls of skim oil and water was lost and a vacuum truck recovered approximately 120 bbls. Peat-Sorb has been (or will be) roto-tilled into the affected soil to recover the remainder of the oil. The affected area will be flushed with fresh water to recover any additional oil and treated with M-1000, a blend of oil degrading miccrobes, to assist in the degradation of the unrecovered oil if necessary. I am also going to test a chloride reducing agent at the site, it is unproven to me but claims to be successful at farms and dairy operations.

Thanks,

Jim Hollon

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