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Attn: Kenneth Pearce

Reference: Midnight Matador A #4 35-17S-27E
30 015 01231 Eddy County, New Mexico
2RP-124

Mr. Pearce,


The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division District 2 Office (OCD) is in receipt of a work plan proposal (plan) for remediation of a release of produced fluids discovered at the above referenced facility on January 16, 2008. The plan proposes excavation and disposal of impacted soils exceeding the OCD Recommended Remedial Action Levels (RRAL) for this site.

The plan is accepted with the following stipulations:

- Notify the OCD 24 hours prior to commencement of activities.
- Notify the OCD 48 hours prior to obtaining samples where analyses are to be submitted to the OCD.
- Results of analytical data obtained through sampling shall be forwarded to OCD for approval **prior** to any backfilling activities
- A final Report C-141 is to be submitted to the OCD upon satisfactory completion of remediation project.
- Remediation requirements may be subject to change as site conditions warrant.
- Remediation to be completed on or before May 2, 2008.

Please be advised that NMOCD acceptance of this plan 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 of this plan does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, local laws and/or regulations.

Respectfully,


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RE: Midnight Matador A #4
API 30-015-01231
Old Leak and Soil Contamination
2RP-124

Sherry,

As per your letter dated 2-6-2008, I am attaching a proposed spill remediation plan for the Midnight Matador A #4 leak and soil contamination, as reported on our recently re-submitted Form C-141. Please review and let me know if this is acceptable or if we need to make any modifications. I am mailing copies of this to you today as well.

Sincerely,



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Fairway Resources Operating, LLC
Midnight Matador A #4
API 30-015-01231
Unit 'B', Sec. 35, T17S, R27E
Eddy Co., NM
Leak and Soil Contamination at Well Site
(C-141 filed 2-18-2008)

Proposed Response Plan

Initial Response Actions Taken

1-16-2008 Leakage and evidence of soil contamination discovered, no free liquids were found.
No free liquids were found, no current leakage.

Soil and Water Remediation Action Levels

Ranking Criteria	Depth to Ground Water;	50' - 99'	<u>score 10</u>
	Wellhead Protection Area;	>1000' from water source	
		>200' from private domestic water source	<u>score 0</u>
	Distance to Surface Water Body;	>1000' horizontal feet	<u>score 0</u>
			<u>Total Score: 10</u>

Required Remediation Action Level

Benzene (ppm)	10
BTEX (ppm)	50
TPH (ppm)	1,000
Chlorides (ppm)	500

Proposed Remediation Plan

Notes: Remediation work will be performed as soon as possible after this plan is approved, and equipment and services are available.
All soil sampling and analyzes will be done using EPA methods and/or OCD approved standards.

1) Soil samples will be collected at 1', 2', and 3' depths within the affected area based on visual assessment. The samples will be laboratory analyzed to determine the specific area and depth of contamination above the OCD limits shown above. Additional samples at greater depths will be obtained and analyzed, if needed, to ascertain the soil depth requiring remediation. If chloride levels are found to be in excess of the limitation, unaffected nearby soil samples may be obtained and analyzed to determine the 'background' chloride concentration of the area.

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- 2) The affected soil will be excavated and hauled to an off-site OCD approved treatment or disposal facility.
- 3) Clean soil will be hauled in and placed in the excavated area.
- 4) Remedial action will be terminated once contaminant concentrations are below OCD specified levels, as shown above, or these levels cannot be practically attained and the remaining contaminant concentrations pose no threat to fresh water, the public, or the environment, subject to OCD evaluation and approval.
- 5) After all remedial activities are completed, a final report summarizing all actions taken to mitigate damage related to the spill will be provided to the OCD for approval.

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