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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 21, 2008 4:48 PM  
**To:** 'Kristin Pope'  
**Cc:** 'r@rthicksconsult.com'; 'Katie Lee'; Price, Wayne, EMNRD  
**Subject:** ICP Approval for Hobbs SWD A-6 vent (#1R428-59), Hobbs SWD E-29 vent (#1R428-49), Hobbs SWD Jct E-33-2 (#1R428-75), Hobbs SWD Jct L-30 (#1R428-64), Hobbs SWD K-29 EOL (#1R428-50), Hobbs SWD Jct O-29-1 vent (#1R428-52) and Hobbs SWD P-29 vent (#1R428-53)

Dear Ms. Pope:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) has reviewed the submitted Investigation Characterization Plans (ICPs), dated April 4, 2008, for the above referenced sites. The NMOCD hereby conditionally approves the following ICPs for the Rice Operating Company sites:

1. Hobbs SWD A-6 vent submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-59
2. Hobbs SWD E-29 vent submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-49
3. Hobbs SWD Jct E-33-2 submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-75
4. Hobbs SWD Jct L-30 submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-64
5. Hobbs SWD K-29 EOL submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-50
6. Hobbs SWD Jct O-29-1 vent submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-52
7. Hobbs SWD P-29 vent submitted by R. T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. on 4/14/2008 #1R428-53

In work element 8 for all ICPs please include the analyses for "general chemistry" (including chloride, TDS, and sulfate) and BTEX for potential groundwater sampling.

Also, please be advised that NMOCD approval of these plans 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, NMOCD 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 questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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P.S.: Please use the respective OCD case #s on future correspondence regarding the sites listed above.

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