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Mr. Mike Bratcher NMOCD District 2 1301 W Grand Avenue Artesia, NM 88210

RE: Remediation of the Finney Oil Company Malco #1 Storage Tank Crude Release (Lease # LC 067849)

Mr. Bratcher,

Mr. Darrel Finney of Finney Oil Company has contracted Talon/LPE (Talon) to perform remediation services at the Malco # 1 storage tank crude oil release site. Within this transmittal, Talon presents a proposed workplan to perform the remediation activities.

Background

On February 6, 2010 a crude oil release was discovered at the Malco #1 storage tank. The leak resulted from a hole in the tank which was subsequently repaired. The surface owner, US Bureau of Land Management (BLM) was informed of the release and subsequently a C-141 was filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD). The estimated quantity of release was reported as 25.5 barrels, of which none was immediately recovered. The resultant spill measured up to 700 feet in length along the larger of the two divergent flow paths, downhill to the north and northwest. The width of the flow path averaged between 3 feet and 20 feet in width. To minimize the immediate effects of the release, Mr. Finney spread soil and caliche on parts of the flow path to act as an absorbent.

Mr. Finney contacted Talon on March 9, 2010 to request assistance with the remediation activities. Talon subsequently visited the site and then received verbal approval from the NMOCD District 2 office to perform preliminary sampling activities (3/17/10). Talon collected samples along the flow path at depth ranging from 1.5 feet to 3.5 feet below ground surface (bgs). These samples were collected in laboratory provided sample containers, preserved on ice in a cooler, and relinquished to Cardinal Laboratories in Hobbs, NM for analysis of TPH GRO/DRO by SW-846 Method 8015B, BTEX by SW-846 Method 8021, and total chlorides. These analytical results are provided with this letter. Please note that sample point FP-6 is incorrectly identified as a duplicate of FP-5 on the laboratory summary page (i.e. the second FP-5 should be labeled as "FP-6").

While performing the site reconnaissance, Talon identified numerous historic release flowpaths from apparent chloride impact originating from sources not associated with the Malco #1. The Malco #1 does appear to cross some of these historic flow paths. This is a very old field and exhibits visual evidence of heavy historic chloride impact in the surrounding terrain. The area is heavily traversed by flow lines and is heavily Finney Oil – Malco #1 Release April 5, 2010 Page 2 of 2

> populated with oil production appurtenances. Based on this visual observation and the background sampling performed by Talon, it appears that Mr. Finney's declaration that the release should have contained little, if any, produced water seems to be vindicated. Additionally, analytical results for the sample collected by Mr. Finney from the surface of the flow path contents (as requested by the BLM - sample I.D. "Tank Battery") indicate a chloride level of 320 mg/kg. Laboratory results from Talon's delineation sampling indicate that only two sample locations exhibited chlorides above 500 mg/kg, and one of these locations (FP-2) was collected outside of the Malco #1 release (between the two flow paths) for use as a background sample. The FP-2 sample indicated very low hydrocarbon content, but elevated chlorides (3,120mg/kg). Additionally, Talon collected three background samples offsite background samples from up-gradient ("uphill") of the location. Two of these samples (001 and 003) were submitted to the laboratory for chloride analysis. The results indicate off-site chloride concentrations at 12,400 and 14,000 mg/kg, respectively.

Proposed Scope of Work

Based on initial analytical results, the obvious evidence of historic chloride impact from off-site sources across a large area, the hydrocarbon-only nature of the Malco #1 release, and the narrow and well defined flow path from the Malco #1 release, Talon proposes the following remedial activities:

- No further delineation sampling, as the Malco #1 release evidence suggests minimal chloride content, preliminary sampling indicates very shallow hydrocarbon impact, and extensive historic chloride impact from off-site sources would render such delineation impracticable.
- Removal of the surficial hydrocarbon residue in the upper release area. This material will be removed and transported to an approved disposal facility.
- In-place treatment of the remaining spill area by aerating and liberal application of MicroBlaze[®] and water. Thirty days after implementing the treatment, the area will be re-watered with fresh water to enhance the microbial action.
- Approximately 120 days after the initial microbial treatment, samples will be collected from 0.5 feet to 1.0 feet below grade along the flow path to evaluate the remedial results and determine if additional actions are necessary.

If you have any questions please call me at (432) 230-7673.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Summers District Manager Talon/LPE – Artesia 432.230.7673

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March 2, 2010

Darrel Finney Finney Oil P.O. Box 1569 Artesia, NM 88210

Re: Malco #1

Enclosed are the results of analyses for sample number H19339, received by the laboratory on 02/25/10 at 9:12 am.

Cardinal Laboratories is accredited through Texas NELAP for:

Method SW-846 8021	Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes
Method SW-846 8260	Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes
Method TX 1005	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons

Certificate number T104704398-08-TX. Accreditation applies to solid and chemical materials and non-potable water matrices.

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Method EPA 552.2 Method EPA 524.2 Method EPA 524.2 Haloacetic Acids (HAA-5) Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) Regulated VOCs (V2, V3)

Accreditation applies to public drinking water matrices.

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Sincerely elev D./Keene

Laboratory Director



ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR FINNEY OIL ATTN: DARREL FINNEY P.O. BOX 1569 ARTESIA, NM 88210

ring Date: 02/25/10 ing Date: 03/02/10 t Number: MALCO #1 t Name: MALCO #1 t Location: NOT GIVEN Sampling Date: 02/24/10 Sample Type: SOIL Sample Condition: INTACT @ 28^oC Sample Received By: JH Analyzed By: AB/HM

LAB NUMBE	R SAMPLE ID	GRO (C ₆ -C ₁₀) (mg/kg)	DRO (>C ₁₀ -C ₂₈) (mg/kg)	Cl* (mg/kg)
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Relative Percent Difference	7.4	1.7	2.0

METHODS: TPH GRO & DRO: EPA SW-846 8015 M; CI: Std. Methods 4500-CI'B *Analysis performed on a 1:4 w:v aqueous extract. Reported on wet weight.

<u>03/02/10</u>

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March 22, 2010

Kyle Summers Talon/LPE 408 Texas St. Artesia, NM 88210

Re: Malco #1

Enclosed are the results of analyses for sample number H19464, received by the laboratory on 03/17/10 at 2:50 pm.

Cardinal Laboratories is accredited through Texas NELAP for:

Method SW-846 8021 Method SW-846 8260 Method TX 1005 Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons

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ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR TALON/LPE ATTN: KYLE SUMMERS 408 TEXAS ST. ARTESIA, NM 88210 FAX TO: (575) 746-8905

Receiving Date. 03/17/10 Reporting Date 03/22/10 Project Owner NOT GIVEN Project Name: MALCO #1 Project Location: EDDY COUNTY, NM Sampling Date: 03/17/10 Sample Type: SOIL Sample Condition INTACT @ 8 °C Sample Received By. JH Analyzed By. AB/ZL/HM/SJ

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Lab Director

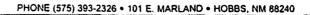
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April 7, 2010

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Re: Malco Federal #1

Enclosed are the results of analyses for sample number H19601, received by the laboratory on 04/05/10 at 4:30 pm.

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Method SW-846 8021	Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes
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Receiving Date: 04/05/10 Reporting Date: 04/06/10 Project Number: 701297.001.01 Project Name: MALCO FEDERAL #1 Project Location: UT.D-35-17S-27E Analysis Date: 04/06/10 Sampling Date: 04/05/10 Sample Type: SOIL Sample Condition: INTACT @ 16.5°C Sample Received By: CK Analyzed By: HM

LAB NUMBER	SAMPLE ID	CI ⁻ (mg/kg)					
H19601-1	001 HISTORIC IMPACTED	12,400					
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H19601-2	003 HISTORIC IMPACTED	14,000					
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% Recovery		100					
Relative Percent	< 0.1						
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Note: Analyses performed on 1:4 w:v aqueous extracts.

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