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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 11, 2011 4:55 PM  
**To:** Hack Conder  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; 'Marvin Burrows'; 'Scott Curtis'; 'Katie Jones'; Hall, Sharon  
**Subject:** Remediation Plan (1R427-172) Termination - ROC EME Gaither Boot Site

**RE: Termination Request  
for the Rice Operating Company's  
EME Gaither Boot Site  
Unit Letter I, Section 34, T19S, R36E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Remediation Plan (1R427-172) Termination**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Rice Operating Company's report and request to close the above-referenced site (dated January 5, 2011). The report is acceptable to the OCD. Please submit to the OCD a final plugging report for groundwater monitoring wells (MW-1 and MW-2) at the site within 90 days of receipt of this notice.

The above-referenced report, submitted in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC (Part 29; formally, Rule 116), indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC; therefore, the OCD approves the report and hereby notifies you that the remediation plan (1R427-172) is terminated in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this report 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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