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**SOUTH BRINE
POND**

Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

From: VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2011 3:37 PM
To: Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD
Subject: FW: Brine Pond Excavation Closure Request, Targa Midstream Services, L.P., Monument Gas Plant (GW-025), Lea County, New Mexico
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From: Griswold, Jim, EMNRD
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2011 2:41 PM
To: cwrangham@targaresources.com; tyoung@targaresources.com; Mark Larson
Cc: VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD
Subject: RE: Brine Pond Excavation Closure Request, Targa Midstream Services, L.P., Monument Gas Plant (GW-025), Lea County, New Mexico

Cal,

Per our meeting here in Santa Fe of last week and the procedure described below, your request to close the South brine pond is approved. Please keep a copy of this email for your files as no hardcopy will be mailed. Please provide OCD with a brief letter report of the final closure operations once they are completed. Thank you.

Jim Griswold, OCD

From: VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD
Sent: Friday, December 17, 2010 10:57 AM
To: Griswold, Jim, EMNRD
Subject: FW: Brine Pond Excavation Closure Request, Targa Midstream Services, L.P., Monument Gas Plant (GW-025), Lea County, New Mexico

Jim,

This is the Targa case that Mark Larson is handling. This is in the same vicinity as the Climax Chemical Plant, I believe. Please get with Mark and see what they need.

Thanks.

Glenn

From: Mark Larson [<mailto:Mark@laenvironmental.com>]
Sent: Saturday, October 30, 2010 2:07 PM
To: VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD
Cc: Johnson, Larry, EMNRD; Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; Young, Todd E.; Wrangham, Calvin W.
Subject: Re: Brine Pond Excavation Closure Request, Targa Midstream Services, L.P., Monument Gas Plant (GW-025), Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Glenn,

This message is submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) Environmental Bureau on behalf of Targa Midstream Services, L.P. (Targa), by Larson & Associates, Inc. (LAI), its consultant, to request approval to close the excavation for the former #1 (South) brine pond at the Monument Gas Plant (GW-025) located in Unit N (SE/4, SW/4),

Section 36, Township 19 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico. The attached report, based on a work plan submitted to the OCD on March 3, 2006 and approved on August 20, 2008, was submitted to the OCD on July 17, 2009. The report presents investigation results for the #1 (South) brine pond that includes removal of sediment, liner and leak detection equipment and laboratory analysis of soil samples from five (5) borings. Your approval is requested to close the excavation according to the following procedures:

- Backfill excavation with clean soil to approximately 5 feet below ground surface (bgs);
- Install geosynthetic (20 mill) liner at approximately 5 feet bgs;
- Backfill remainder of excavation with clean soil to ground surface and contour (crown) for drainage;
- Seed location with native grass mix.

The background chloride concentration in groundwater (17,700 mg/L) was established in WP-19 near the northwest corner of the property is the result of a regional groundwater impact caused from unlined ponds used in manufacturing hydrochloric acid at the former Climax Chemical Plant located west (up gradient) of the property. Your approval of this closure request is appreciated. Please contact Todd Young with Targa at (575) 393-2823 (TYoung@targaresources.com) or myself if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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