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# PRELIMINARY SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Lockhart B-12 Battery Lea County, New Mexico

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### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Environmental Technology Group, Inc. (ETGI) conducted a preliminary subsurface investigation of the referenced pit area and adjacent tank battery for Conoco Inc. (Conoco). The investigation was conducted in order to document the water table conditions in the subsurface.

The site is located in the SE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, in Lea County, New Mexico. The geographic location of the site is depicted on Figure 1, the Site Location Map. A pit area, tank battery and adjacent pump jack characterize the site as depicted on Figure 2, the Site Map.

### 2.0 SUMMARY OF FIELD ACTIVITIES

ETGI mobilized a rotary drilling rig to the site on February 21, 2000 and field activities were terminated on February 23, 2001. Mrs. Beth Aldrich, ETGI, Mr. Steve Dyer, Rhino Environmental Services (Rhino), Mr. Leo Gatson, representative for Conoco, and Mr. Bill McNeill the landowner, were present and provided supervision and oversight of the site activities. ETGI, of Hobbs, New Mexico, performed the drilling with Mr. William Hules in charge of the drilling rig.

The drilling rig advanced a total of eight soil borings at the site. The total depth for the borings ranged from 58 feet below the ground surface (bgs) in boring SB-4 to 65 feet bgs in soil boring SB-6. Immediately after the soil borings were completed and the soil samples were inspected for moisture, the borings were backfilled with bentonite in order to prevent potential vertical migration of fluids or solids down the bore hole.

### 3.0 SITE DESCRIPTION

### 3.1 Regional Geology/Hydrogeology

The site is located approximately three miles northeast of the town of Eunice, New Mexico. This places it south of the geophysical feature referred to as the Southern High Plains escarpment. The average surface elevation in the area ranges between 3,000 to 4,200 feet above sea level with the average surface topography sloping to the south and southeast at approximately 10 feet per mile. The ground water gradient in the region appears to reflect the topography with a similar slope to the south and southeast with some local variations.

The site is located on Kimbrough association type soils. This soil complex is about 70 percent Kimbrough soil. Lea, Stegall, Portales, and Slaughter soils make up the remaining 30 percent. This association consists of nearly level and gently sloping, well-drained soils in broad areas on uplands. These soils have a gravelly loam surface layer that overlies indurated caliche at a depth of 6 to 16 inches. Kimbrough soils are

moderately permeable and runoff is slow to medium. Erosion is a slight hazard in this region.

Data collected by the United States Weather Bureau indicate that the average annual precipitation in the site vicinity is approximately 12 to 15 inches. This amount occurs primarily as storm events during the period between June and October. Infiltration and evaporation rates are generally high resulting in limited surface flow from these events. The primary utilization of these lands consists of range, wildlife habitat, and recreational areas.

### 3.2 Site Geology/Hydrology

The soil samples collected from all of the borings were dry with no evidence that the borings penetrated any ground water. Generally, the upper 10 feet of section is composed of white sand and caliche with no moisture. An underlying caliche layer extends completely across the site with depths ranging from 5 feet bgs on the north side to 2 feet bgs on the south side. This section is underlain by a minimum of 45 feet of red sand, which is inter-bedded with caliche throughout the section. These materials are generally associated with the Tertiary age Ogallala Formation.

Finer red bed materials, generally associated with the Dockum group of Triassic age, unconformably underlie this horizon. All soil borings penetrated to the red bed horizon. There was no indication of moisture at any horizon in any of the soil borings. The soil boring logs are provided as Appendix A.

### 4.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

As defined in the Scope of Work, a preliminary subsurface investigation was conducted utilizing an air-rotary drilling rig to penetrate to the red beds in order to asses the ground water conditions at the site. Eight soil borings were advanced to the red beds as depicted on the Site Map. None of the borings penetrated any ground water conditions or any visible signs of moisture.

### 5.0 QA/QC PROCEDURES

No soil samples were collected for either photoionization detector (PID) or laboratory analysis during the field activities. However, all drilling equipment was kept clean during the field activities. In general, the cleaning procedures consisted of using high pressure steam to wash the drilling equipment prior to drilling and prior to starting each hole.

### 6.0 LIMITATIONS

Environmental Technology Group, Inc. has prepared this Preliminary Investigation Report to the best of its ability. No other warranty, expressed or implied, is made or intended.

Environmental Technology Group, Inc. has examined and relied upon documents referenced in the report and has relied on oral statements made by certain individuals. Environmental Technology Group, Inc. has not conducted an independent examination of the facts contained in referenced materials and statements. We have presumed the genuineness of the documents and that the information provided in documents or statements is true and accurate. Environmental Technology Group, Inc. has prepared this report in a professional manner, using the degree of skill and care exercised by similar environmental consultants. Environmental Technology Group, Inc. also notes that the facts and conditions referenced in this report may change over time and the conclusions and recommendations set forth herein are applicable only to the facts and conditions as described at the time of this report.

This report has been prepared for the benefit of Conoco Inc.. The information contained in this report including all exhibits and attachments, may not be used by any other party without the express consent of Environmental Technology Group, Inc. and/or Conoco Inc..

# **FIGURES**





# APPENDIX A

Legend	PID Head-space reading in ppm obtained with a photo-ionization detector. Indicates samples selected for laboratory analysis.	Date Drilled 2/21/01	GPS Location	N 32* 29.832 W103* 07.303	Elevation = 3,493msl													Environmental Technology	Group, Inc.	adate: Nia Pring by July Unterversion with
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	Petroleum Odor		None	None	None	None	None	None	None		None	None	None		AUON	None		and the second	ETG	
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			Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry.	
	Non	None	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry. Caliche Stringer	- 45
	Non	None	Caliche Stringer	4
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	Non	None	Sand - (SC) - Yellow/Tan, Very fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry with Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry with Caliche Nodules.	
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	Non	None	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry with Caliche Nodules.	
	Non	None	Sand - (SC) - Yellow, White, Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry with Caliche Stringer.	1 20
e Elevation = 3,481msl	Non	None	Sand - (SC) - Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sortad, Dry, With Callche Nodules. Caliche Stitnger Sand - (SC) - Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sortad, Dry, With Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, with Caliche Nodules.	£
e N 32" 29.816" W103" 07.321"	Non	None	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, with Caliche Nodules.	ę
GPS Location				
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	Petroleu <u>Stain</u>		None	None	None	None	None	None		None	None	None	None	None	None		1	-	
	Petroleum Odor		None	None	None	None	None	None		None	None	None	None	None	None		appendix Income.	ETG	
Soil Boring SB-3	Soil Soil Description Reading	Sand - (SM) - Loamy, Dark Brown, Very fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry. Sand - (SC) - White, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry.	Sand - (SC) - Red/Tan, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry.	Sand - (SC) - White, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry. Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Sand - (SC) - Red/Tan, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry.	Sand - (SP) - RedYellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Sand - (SP) - Red/Y ellow, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Damp	Sand - (SP) - Brown/Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Damp.	Sand - (SP) - Brown/Yeilow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Damp, Imbedded with Heavy Clay.	Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry.	Caliche Stringer	Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry. Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.		Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Clay.		Red Bed TD	Soil Boring Log Details	Soil Boring SB-3	Lockhart B-12 Battery Lea County, NM
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Legend	PID Head-space reading in ppm obtained with a photo-ionization detector. Indicates samples selected for laboratory analysis.	Date Drilled 2/22/01	GPS Location	N 32° 29.818' W103° 07.288'	Elevation = 3,493msl										Environmental Technology	Group, Inc.	Scale: NTS Prep By, JDJ Checked By, KD Merch 7, 2001 ETGI Project # RES23005
	Petroleun Stain		None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None		-	
	Petroleum Odor		None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Bernard Incom	ETG	
Soil Boring SB-4	Soil Soil Description Reading	Sand - (SM) - Loamy, Dark Brown, Very fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry.	Sand - (SC) - White, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Caliche Stringer	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules	Sand - (SC) - Red/Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SC) - Yellow/Brown, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Calche Stringer	Sand - (SC) - Bad Vary Fina Grained Wall Sorred Dry Imbedded with Calibre Nodules.	Caliche Stringer	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Clay.	Red Bed, Dry.	Red Bed	Soil Boring Log Details	Soil Boring SB-4	Lockhart B-12 Battery Lea County, NM
	Depth (feet)	,	10		 5	8	- 25	8	35	64	45	8	19	88 48	3		Conoco Inc

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0	Soil Soil Description Reading	Petroleum Odor	Petroleum Stain	PID Head-space reading in ppm obtained with a photo-ionization detector. Indicates samples selected for laboratory analysis.
	Sand - (SM) - Loarny, Dark Brown, Very fine Grained, Well Sorbed, Dry.	None	None	Date Drilled 2/22/01
0	Caliche - Yellow. Sand - (SC) - RedYellow, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SC) - White, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	None	None	GPS Location N 32* 29.870 W103* 07.299
10	Sand - (SC) - Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	None	None	Elevation = 3,508msl
0	Caliche Layer Sand - (SC) - Red/Brown, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	None	None	
10	Sand - (SC) - Red/Y ellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Catiche Nodules.	None	None	
0	Sand - (SC) - YellowBrown, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	None	None	
10	Sand - (SC) - Red/Y ellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	None	None	
0	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Calibre Nodules.	None	None	
10	Sand - (SC) - Red/Brown, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Clay.	None	None	
0	Clay - Red, Dry, Imbedded with Calibrie	None	None	
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Legend	<ul> <li>PID Head-space reading in ppm obtained with a photo-ionization detector.</li> <li>Indicates samples selected for laboratory analysis.</li> </ul>	Date Drilled 2/22/01	GPS Location	N 32° 29.816' W103° 07.368'	Elevation = 3,478msl												Environmental Technology	Group, Inc.	Scale: NTS Prep By: JDJ Checked By: ND March 7, 2001 ETGI Project # RES23005
	Petroleur <u>Stain</u>	None		None	None		None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None		1	-	
	Petroleum Odor	None		None	None		None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	and the second se	BUILDING TRIVERS	ΕTG	
Soil Boring SB-6	Soil Soil Description Reading	Sand - (SC) - White, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Caliche - Yellow	Calche - White.	Caliche - Yellow	Sand - (SC) - Red/Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules	Sand - (SC) - Red/Brown, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Sand - (SC) - Yellow/Brown, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules.	Calche - White		Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Clay.		Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Caliche Nodules	Sand - (SC) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Imbedded with Clay.	Caliche - White	Red Bed, Dy. TD	Soil Boring Log Details	Soil Boring SB-6	ic. Lockhart B-12 Battery Lea County, NM
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epth eet) C	Soil Soil Description Reading	Petroleum Odor	Petroleum Stain	PID Head-space reading in ppm obtained with a photo-ionization detector. Indicates samples selected for iaboratory analysis.
10	Sand - (SP) - White, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry.	None	None	Date Drilled 2/23/01
6 5	Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Interbedded with Abundant Caliche Nodules. Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Interbedded Caliche Nodules. Caliche Stringer.	None	None	GPS Location N 32° 29.811' W103° 07.230'
19	Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fire Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Interbedded Caliche Nodules.	None	None	Elevation = 3,468msl
20	Sand - (SP) - Red/Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Interbedded Caliche Nodules.	None	None	
28	Sand - (SP) - Yellow, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Interbedded Caliche Nodules. Caliche - YellowTan.	None	None	
30	Ciay - Red/Yellow, Interbedded with Caliche.	None	None	
35	Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Interbedded with Clay.	None	None	
6	Caliche Stringer. Sand - (SP) - Red, Very Fine Grained, Weil Sorted, Dry, Interbedded with Clay.	None	None	
45	Caliche Stringer. Sand - (SP) - White/Red, Very Fine Grained, Well Sorted, Dry, Interbedded with Caliche Nodules.	None	None	
8	Sand - (SP) - Ned, Very Fire Grained, Well Sorried, Liny, Interbedded Caliche Nodules.	None	None	
12	Clay - Red	None	None	
8	TD Red Bed	None	None	
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