

Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD

From: Dittrich, John W <Wade_Dittrich@oxy.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 10:52 AM
To: Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD; Eads, Cristina, EMNRD
Cc: Cliff Brunson
Subject: [EXT] RE: NAB1922432657 MESQUITE MOUTRAY SWD 2RP-5575

Mrs. Venegas,

The samples were collected utilizing a 5-point composite method. The remediation plan that was approved in January 2020 called for bottom confirmation samples every 75 linear feet. There were no requirements for sidewall samples. The square footage of the leak area is approximately 6000 square feet and the dimensions are approximately 155 feet long and 44 feet wide at the widest point. Sampling every 75 feet required only 3 bottom samples to be collected.

I hope this clarifies your questions. If you need anything else, please let me know.

From: Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD <Victoria.Venegas@state.nm.us>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 5:15 PM
To: Dittrich, John W <Wade_Dittrich@oxy.com>; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD <mike.bratcher@state.nm.us>; Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD <Robert.Hamlet@state.nm.us>; Eads, Cristina, EMNRD <Cristina.Eads@state.nm.us>
Cc: Cliff Brunson <cbrunson@bbccinternational.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] NAB1922432657 MESQUITE MOUTRAY SWD 2RP-5575

WARNING - This message is from an EXTERNAL SENDER - be CAUTIOUS, particularly with links and attachments.

NAB1922432657 MESQUITE MOUTRAY SWD 2RP-5575

Mr. Dittrich,

We have received the Closure Report for incident **NAB1922432657**, thank you. I would like you to clarify the following questions regarding this Closure Report:

- It is not clear how the samples were collected. Were five-point composite samples or grab samples collected?
- Were confirmation samples taken from the side walls?
- The report says that "confirmation samples were collected from the bottom every 75 feet". Do you mean every 75 square feet?
- Could you clarify the square footage of the release?

Thank you,

Victoria Venegas
State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division

811 S. First St., Artesia NM 88210
(575) 748-1283
Victoria.Venegas@state.nm.us

OCD approval does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations fail to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that may pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.