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Attachments: (C-141 Remediation Plan) NDHR1917849099 ELVIS TANK BATTERY 1RP-5578.pdf

## **NDHR1917849099 ELVIS TANK BATTERY 1RP-5578**

Mr. Soriwei,

The OCD has denied the submitted Deferral Request C-141 for incident # NDHR1917849099 ELVIS TANK BATTERY 1RP-5578 for the following reasons:

- The reported release footprint was contained within the earthen berm of the tank battery. The containment berm has a liner at an approximate depth of 0.5 feet bgs. Per rule 19.15.29.11.A.(5)(a): If the release occurred within a lined containment area, the responsible party must demonstrate liner integrity after affected material is removed and the affected area of the liner is exposed.
- If the responsible party is unable to demonstrate liner integrity, the release must be delineated/remediated following the closure criteria for this site.
- The Depth to groundwater has not been established. When nearby wells are used to determine depth to groundwater, the wells should be no further than ½ mile away from the site, data should be no more than 25 years old, and well construction information should be provided:

  http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/documents/OCDInternalPolicy-SpillRuleClarifications.pdf.

The Denied C-141 can be found in the online image file. Please review and make the required correction prior to resubmitting through the fee portal.

Thank you,

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