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Subject: NRM2019755640 NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #625 @ 30-025-35271
Attachments: (C-141 Remediation Plan) NRM2019755640 NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #625 @ 30-025-35271.pdf

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Mr. Baker,

The OCD has approved the Site Characterization and Remediation Plan for incident # NRM2019755640 NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #625 @ 30-025-35271 with the following conditions of approval:

- Five point composite confirmation samples must be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I of 19.15.29.12 NMAC.
- Sidewalls samples should not exceed 600 mg/kg for chlorides and 100 mg/kg for TPH. For the sake of consistency, the Division will consider a sample “clean” if it meets the more stringent requirements listed in Table 1. For chloride values, natural background levels will be considered. This is especially important for “on-pad” releases to ensure the release did not extend to the “off-pad”/pasture area (see sample point HC1).
- Apache’s request to remediate the site within six months of OCD approval of the plan is not approved. Per rule 19.15.29.12.E.(1) *“The responsible party must submit closure report along with form C-141 to the division within 90 days of the remediation plan approval”*. However, the responsible party may apply for additional time to submit the final closure report upon a showing of good cause as determined by the division.

The signed C-141 can be found in the online image data base under the incident #.

Thank you,

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