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 District II
 1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
 District III
 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
 District IV
 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

March 12, 2004

Oil Conservation Division
 1220 South St. Francis Dr.
 Santa Fe, NM 87505

For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.
 For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes No

Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank Closure of a pit or below-grade tank

Operator: Merit Energy Company Telephone: 806-229-6300 e-mail address: _____
 Address: P.O. Box 300 Whiteface Texas 79379
 Facility or well name: Turner B #44 API #: 30-015-05311 U/L or Qtr/Qtr _____ Sec. 30 T 175 R 31 E
 County: Eddy Latitude _____ Longitude _____ NAD: 1927 1983 Surface Owner Federal State Private Indian

Pit Type: Drilling <input type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Volume <u>100</u> bbl	Below-grade tank Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not. _____		RECEIVED MAY 12 2004 088-ARTESIA
	Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	Less than 50 feet (20 points) 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet (10 points) 100 feet or more (0 points) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes (20 points) No (0 points) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	Less than 200 feet (20 points) 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet (10 points) 1000 feet or more (0 points) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Ranking Score (Total Points)		<u>0</u>	

If this is a pit closure: (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: onsite offsite If offsite, name of facility _____ (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No Yes If yes, show depth below ground surface _____ ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines , a general permit , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan .

Date: 5-12-04
 Printed Name/Title: TERRY GRANHAM Lead Pumper Signature: Terry Granham

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approval: MAY 17 2004
 Date: _____
 Printed Name/Title: _____ Signature: _____

stipulation; the liner must be a 12-mil woven. Also note your choice of liner mandates the manner in which the pit may be closed. The pit's contents and the liner shall be removed and disposed of in a manner approved by the division.

NOTIFY O.C.D. PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION OF PIT(S).

Pit(s) must meet all requirements of Rule 19.15.2.50.