

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Austin, NM 87105
District III
1000 Rio Bonito Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1229 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

**State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources**

**Oil Conservation Division
1229 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505**

**Form C-144
March 12, 2004**

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

Pit or Below-Ground Tank Registration or Closure

Is pit or below-ground tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes No
Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-ground tank Closure of a pit or below-ground tank

Operator: Merit Energy Company Telephone: 806-229-6302 communications
Address: P.O. Box 300 Whiteface Texas 79379
Facility or well name: Tower A 743 ANR-30-015-28793 DEQ or QD#
County: Eddy Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____
MAD: 1927 1933 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bitumen <u>12 mil</u> Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Volume: <u>100 m³</u>	Below-ground tank Volume: <u>300</u> Type of tank: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, explain why not: _____	RECEIVED AUG 04 2004 CORP ADTESTA
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water)		Less than 50 feet <input type="checkbox"/> (20 points) 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet <input type="checkbox"/> (10 points) 100 feet or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (0 points)
Wellhead protection zone: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources)		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> (20 points) No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (0 points)
Distance to surface water: (Horizontal distance to all wells, pipelines, irrigation canals, ditches, and potential and ephemeral watercourses)		Less than 200 feet <input type="checkbox"/> (20 points) 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet <input type="checkbox"/> (10 points) 1000 feet or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (0 points)
		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 actions taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater contamination: 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-ground tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCID guidelines , a general permit , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan .
Date: 7-26-04

Printed Name/Title: Eugene Sonnenburg Signature: _____

Your certification and NMOCID approval of this application 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.

Approved: AUG 6 2004
Date: _____

Printed Name/Title: _____ Signature: _____

DENIED