

**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**MIKE, I USED THE WRONG COMPANY NAME ON THE ORIGINAL NOTIFICATION. PLEASE DISCARD AND USE THIS NOTIFICATION IN ITS PLACE.**

**THANK YOU, CHERYL**

**Notification of Intent to Commence Drilling Pit Closure Operations**

Greetings Mike!

Please be advised Murchison Oil and Gas, Inc. herewith notifies the State of New Mexico, OCD that it intends to commence drilling pit closure activities on the Red Tank State Com. #1 and the Rio State #3 beginning Monday, 01 May 2006. Murchison Oil and Gas, Inc. also intends to relocate operations to the Lincoln Federal No. 1 following excavation of pit fines and sampling of pit bottom from Rio State #3 while waiting upon sampling results prior to actual closure of the Rio State #3. Therefore, it is estimated the Lincoln Federal No. 1 shall commence closure operations on or about 03 May with sampling targeted for 05 May followed by anticipated closure of the Lincoln Federal No. 1 approximately 48 hours later.

Red Tank State Com. #1 and Rio State #3 sample acquisition is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, 03 May unless inclement weather or other unforeseen events beyond the Operator's control impede this plan. The State of New Mexico, OCD will be contacted on 02 May to confirm this date. Sample analysis will be conducted on a 24-hour turnaround and the State will be directly notified of the results via email. Upon arrival of this analysis, I will contact the State for authorization to commence backfilling immediately. Once the State has given authorization to proceed, the Operator will be notified of said decision.

Should you have questions regarding this notification, please contact me via cell (406-431-2528) or this email address as soon as possible. If the State of New Mexico, OCD has not objected to or recommended revision of the above statements by close of business 28 April 2006, the Operator will take this to mean the State of New Mexico, OCD concurs with Murchison Oil and Gas, Inc.,s proposed closure operations schedule.

Thank you, Mike.

Best Wishes,  
Cheryl

Accepted for record - NMOCD

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