

**District I**  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
**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

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

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: Yates Drilling Company Telephone: 505-748-4500 e-mail address: mikes@ypcnm.com

Address: 105 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Artesia, N.M. 88210

Facility or well name: Wisetail State Com #1 API #: 30-015-34589 U/L or Qtr/Qtr A Sec 24 T 18S R 27E

County: Eddy Latitude 32.73809 Longitude 104.22613 NAD: 1927 ☒ 1983 ☐

Surface Owner: Federal ☐ State ☒ Private ☐ Indian ☐

**Pit**  
Type: Drilling ☒ Production ☐ Disposal ☐  
Work over ☐ Emergency ☐  
Lined ☒ Unlined ☐  
Liner type: Synthetic ☒ Thickness 12 mil Clay ☐  
Pit Volume 20000 bbl

**Below-grade tank**  
Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Type of fluid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Construction material: \_\_\_\_\_  
Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes ☐ If not, explain why not: \_\_\_\_\_

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) XXXX

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) XXXX

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) XXXX

Ranking Score (Total Points)

0 POINTS

- 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: (check the onsite box if you are burying in place) onsite ☒ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of facility NA. (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.

Additional Comments: Closure workplan for encapsulation trench. The drilling pit contents will be mixed to stiffen the pit contents. An encapsulation trench will be excavated and lined with a 12 mil synthetic liner on former drilling pit site. Drilling pit contents will then be emplaced into the encapsulation trench. A 20 mil synthetic liner will then be placed over the pit contents with a minimum of a 3' over lap of the underlying trench areas. The encapsulation trench will then be backfilled to grade using a minimum of 3' of clean soil and like material. A one call and 48 hour notice will be provided to the Oil Conservation Division before pit closure actions begin.

Pit Closure actions to begin by NA. Ending date NA

**Amendment to permit application dated 6/28/06 previously submitted.**

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: 07/24/2006

Printed Name/Title Mike Stubblefield / Regulatory Agent

Signature [Signature]

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:

Printed Name/Title [Signature]

Signature [Signature]

Date:

AUG 03 2006

Final Pit Closure  
9-19-2006

Sent 10-6-06  
OCD