## FASKEN OIL AND RANCH, LTD.

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> Jimmy D. Carlile **Regulatory Affairs Coordinator**

February 13, 2008

Mr. Mike Bratcher New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1301 W. Grand Ave. Artesia, NM 88210

Dear Mr. Bratcher,

Re:

Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd.

Reserve Pit Closure Maralo "35" Federal No. 5 Sec. 35, T20S, R25E API No. 30-015-35695 Eddy County, New Mexico

Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. had received approval from the NMOCD to deep bury the subject reserve pit. We have run into extremely hard boulders all around the reserve pit area making it impossible to excavate a suitable deep bury pit. Therefore, we have made the decision to dig and haul this reserve pit instead of deep burying.

Dig and haul operations are being started today. Sampling of the bottom of the pit will be conducted as soon as possible. Results of those samples will be submitted to the OCD for your approval.

Please give me a call if you have any questions concerning this.

Yours truly.

Jimmy D. Carlile

Regulatory Affairs Coordinator

Accepted for record NMOCD

NOTIFY OCD 24 HOURS PRIOR to beginning closure and 24 HOURS PRIOR to obtaining samples. Samples are to be obtained from pit area and analyses submitted to OCD prior to back-filling.

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