District 1 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 District II 811 S. First St., 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 Department Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

For temporary pits, below-grade tanks, and multi-well fluid management pits, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office. For permanent pits submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

Pit, Below-Grade Tank, or				
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application				
Type of action: Below grade tank registration				
Permit of a pit or proposed alternative method				
39-5, 34 Closure of a pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method				
39 - 5 Modification to an existing permit/or registration				
or proposed alternative method				
Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, below-grade tank or alternative request				
Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.				
Deperator: Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP OGRID #:14538				
Address: P.O. Box 4289, Farmington, New Mexico 87499				
Facility or well name: San Juan 28-6 Unit 120M & San Juan 28-6 Unit 120P				
API Number: 120M- <u>30-039-31234/120P-30-039-31243</u> OCD Permit Number:11799				
U/L or Qtr/Qtr P (SESE)Section 9 Township 28N Range 6W County: Rio Arriba				
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude <u>36.669262</u> °N Longitude <u>107.464340</u> °W NAD: 1927 🗌 1983 🔍 CONC. DIV. DIST. 3				
Surface Owner: 🛛 Federal 🗌 State 🗌 Private 🗌 Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment OIL CONS. DIV DIST. 3				
2.				
<u> <u> </u><u> Pit</u>: Subsection F, G or J of 19.15.17.11 NMAC </u>				
Temporary: 🛛 Drilling 🗖 Workover				
□ Permanent □ Emergency □ Cavitation □ P&A □ Multi-Well Fluid Management Low Chloride Drilling Fluid ⊠ yes □ no				
Lined Unlined Liner type: Thickness 20 mil LLDPE HDPE PVC Other				
String-Reinforced				
Liner Seams: X Welded X Factory C Other Volume: 7700 bbl bbl Dimensions: L 120' x W 55' x D 12'				
3.				
Below-grade tank: Subsection 1 of 19.15.17.11 NMAC				
Volume:bbl Type of fluid:				
Tank Construction material:				
Secondary containment with leak detection 🔲 Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off				
Visible sidewalls and liner Visible sidewalls only Other				
Liner type: Thickness mil 🗌 HDPE 🛄 PVC 🔲 Other				
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Alternative Method:				
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.				
Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)				
Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (<i>Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church</i>)				
Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet				
Alternate. Please specify <u>4' field fencing with one strand barbed wire on top.</u>				

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Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks) Screen Netting Other Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible) 7. Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC Variances and Exceptions: Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance. Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank: Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval. Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks. **General siting** Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank. 🗌 Yes 🛛 No □ NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; □ USGS; □ Data obtained from nearby wells \square NA 🗌 Yes 🕅 No Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit. 🖾 NA NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance \Box Yes \boxtimes No adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) 🗌 Yes 🖾 No Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division Within an unstable area. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) 🗌 Yes 🛛 No Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map Yes 🛛 No Within a 100-year floodplain. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) FEMA map **Below Grade Tanks** Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured □ Yes □ No from the ordinary high-water mark). Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site Yes No Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption;. NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid (maximum chloride content 15,000 mg/liter) Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, Yes 🕅 No or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). (Applies to low chloride temporary pits.) Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site Within 300 feet from a occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial Yes 🛛 No application. Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image -Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock Yes No watering purposes, or 300 feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of the initial application. NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

 Within 100 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	🗌 Yes 🛛 No		
<u>Temporary Pit Non-low chloride drilling fluid</u>			
 Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse, or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	🗌 Yes 🗌 No		
 Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image 	Yes No		
 Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in the existence at the time of the initial application; NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	Yes No		
 Within 300 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	Yes No		
<u>Permanent Pit or Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit</u>			
 Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	🗌 Yes 🗌 No		
 Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image 	🗌 Yes 🗌 No		
 Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application. NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	🗌 Yes 🗍 No		
 Within 500 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 	🗌 Yes 🗌 No		
10. <u>Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist</u> : Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: or Permit Number: 			
11. Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.			
Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC			

Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are				
Instructions: Each of the following items must be anached to the approximation. Freque matched, of a check mark in the box, influence attached. Imatched. Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Climatological Factors Assessment Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Leak Detection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Wusiance or Hazardous Odors, including H ₂ S, Prevention Plan Errosion Control Plan Errosion Control Plan Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan. Type: Drilling Workover Emergency Cavitation P&A	'luid Management Pit			
Proposed Closure Method: 🔲 Waste Excavation and Removal				
Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)				
In-place Burial II On-site Trench Burial				
Alternative Closure Method				
14. Weste Execution and Removal Cleaning Plan Charlington (10.15.17.12.NMAC) Instructional Each of the full using its mercure the				
closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings) Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC				
15. Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19151710 NMAC				
Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.				
 Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells 	□ Yes ⊠ No □ NA			
Ground water is between 25-50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells				
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	□ Yes □ No □ NA			
 Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 				
 Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image 	🔲 Yes 🛛 No			
Within 300 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database: Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site				
Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	Yes 🛛 No			
Within 300 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map: Topographic map: Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site				
within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance				
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adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	🗌 Yes 🛛 No			
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division				
 Within an unstable area. Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society: Topographic map 				
Within a 100-year floodplain.				
- FEMA map	Yes 🛛 No			
16. On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection K of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Soil Cover Design - based upon the appr				
 17. Operator Application Certification: I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and beli 	ef.			
Name (Print): DENISE JOURNEY Title: Staff Regulatory Technician				
Signature: Denisi Journey Date: 7/2/14				
c-mail address: <u>Denise.Journey@conocophillips.com</u> Telephone: <u>326-9556</u>				
18. OCD Approval: X Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only) OCD Conditions (see attachment)				
OCD Representative Signature: Approval Date: Approval Date:	20H			
Title: <u>Comptiance Office</u> OCD Permit Number:				
19. <u>Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion)</u> : 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed. Closure Completion Date:				
20. Closure Method: Waste Excavation and Removal On-Site Closure Method If different from approved plan, please explain.	oop systems only)			
 21. Closure Report Attachment Checklist: Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please in mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division) Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure for private land only) Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits) Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable) Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure) Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation) 	dicate, by a check			

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22. Operator Closure Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable	with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge a e closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.	ınd
Name (Print):	Title:	
Signature:	Date:	
e-mail address:	Telephone:	
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San Juan 28-6 Unit 120M (New Drill) Modification to Pit Permit # 11799 API# 30-039-31234 Burlington Resources Oil & Gas

Burlington Resources wishes to modify the existing pit permit to add the subject well which will be twinned.

San Juan 28-6 Unit 120P (New Drill) API# 30-039-31243

The two wells will be drilled one right after the other and will utilize the same Pit on the well pad location.

Updated Design and Construction, Maintenance and Operating, and Closure Plans are attached.

Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP San Juan Basin Pit Design and Construction Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 the following information describes the design and construction of temporary pits on Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company, LP (BR) locations. This is BR's standard procedure for all temporary pits. A separate plan will be submitted for any temporary pit which does not conform to this plan.

General Plan:

- 1. BR will design and construct a properly sized and approved temporary pit which will contain liquids and solids and should prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and environment.
- 2. Prior to constructing the pit, (except a pit constructed in an emergency), topsoil will be stockpiled for use as the final cover at the time of closure.
- 3. BR will sign the well location in compliance with 19.15.17.11.C NMAC.
- 4. BR will construct all new fences around the temporary pit utilizing 48" steel mesh field-fence (hogwire) on the bottom with a single strand of barbed wire on top. T-posts shall be installed every 12 feet and corners shall be anchored utilizing a secondary T-post. Temporary pits will be fenced at all times excluding drilling or workover operations, when the front side of the fence will be temporarily removed for operational purposes.
 - If pit is located within 1000 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church, BR will construct all new fences utilizing 72" chain link security fence on the bottom with two strands of barbed wire on top. T-posts shall be installed every 12 feet and corners shall be anchored utilizing a secondary T-post. Temporary/permanent pits will be fenced at all times excluding drilling or workover operations, when the front side of the fence will be temporarily removed for operational purposes. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.
- 5. BR shall construct the temporary pit so that the foundation and interior slopes are firm and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent liner failure.
- 6. BR shall construct the pit so that the slopes are no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H:1V).
- 7. Pit walls will be walked down by a crawler type tractor following construction.
- 8. All temporary pits will be lined with a 20-mil, string reinforced, LLDPE liner, complying with EPA SW-846 method 9090A requirements.
- 9. Geotextile will be installed beneath the liner when rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities cannot be avoided.
- 10. All liners will be anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench at least 18 inches deep.
- 11. BR will minimize liner seams and orient them up and down, not across a slope. Factory seams will be used whenever possible. BR will ensure all field seams are welded by qualified personnel. Field seams will be overlapped four to six inches and will be oriented parallel to the line of maximum slope. BR will minimize the number of field seams in corners and irregularly shaped areas.
- 12. The liner shall be protected from any fluid force or mechanical damage through the use of mud pit slides, or a manifold system.
- 13. The pit shall be protected from run-on by constructing and maintaining diversion ditches around the location or around the perimeter of the pit in some cases.
- 14. The volume of the pit shall not exceed 10 acre-feet, including freeboard.
- 15. Temporary blow pits will be constructed to allow gravity flow to discharge into lined drill pit.
- 16. The lower half of the blow pit (nearest lined pit) will be lined with a 20-mil, string reinforced, LLDPE liner. The upper half of the blow pit will remain unlined as allowed in Rule 19.15.17.11 F.11.
- 17. BR will not allow freestanding liquids to remain on the unlined portion of a temporary blow pit.

Maintenance and Operating Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 the following information describes the operation and maintenance of temporary pits on Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company, LP (BR) locations. This is BR's standard procedure for all temporary pits. A separate plan will be submitted for any temporary pit which does not conform to this plan.

General Plan:

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- 1. BR will operate and maintain a temporary pit to contain liquids and solids and maintain the integrity of the liner and liner system to prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and environment.
- 2. BR will conserve drilling fluids by transferring liquids to pits ahead of the rigs whenever possible. All other drilling fluids will be disposed at Basin Disposal Inc., permit # NM-01-005.
- 3. BR will not discharge or store any hazardous waste in any temporary pit.
- 4. If any pit liner's integrity is compromised, or if any penetration of the liner occurs above the liquid's surface, then BR shall notify the Aztec Division office by phone or email within 48 hours of the discovery and repair the damage or replace the liner.
- 5. If a leak develops below the liquid's level, BR will remove all liquids above the damaged liner within 48 hours and repair the damage or replace the liner, notify the appropriate division office pursuant to 19.15.29 NMAC.
 - A Major Release shall be reported by giving both immediate verbal notice and timely written notice by filing form C-141 within 15 days pursuant to Subsection C, Paragraphs (1) and (2) of 19.15.29.7.A NMAC. A Major Release is:
 - (a) An unauthorized release of a volume, excluding natural gases, in excess of 25 barrels;
 - (b) An unauthorized release of any volume which:
 - (i) results in a fire;
 - (ii) will reach a water course;
 - (iii) may with reasonable probability endanger public health; or
 - (iv) results in substantial damage to property or the environment;
 - (c) An unauthorized release of natural gases in excess of 500 mcf; or
 - (d) A release of any volume which may with reasonable probability be detrimental to water or cause an exceedance of the standards in Section 19, Subsections A, B, C of 19.15.30.9 NMAC.
 - A Minor Release shall be reported by giving timely written notice by the filing of form C-141 within 15 days pursuant to 19.15.29.7 NMAC. A Minor Release is an unauthorized release of a volume, greater than 5 barrels but not more than 25 barrels; or greater than 50 mcf but less than 500 mcf of natural gases.
- 6. The liner shall be protected from any fluid force or mechanical damage through the use of mud pit slides, or a manifold system.
- 7. The pit shall be protected from run-on by constructing and maintaining diversion ditches around the location or around the perimeter of the pit in some cases.
- 8. BR shall immediately remove any visible layer of oil from the surface of the temporary pit after cessation of a drilling or workover operation. Oil absorbent booms will be utilized to contain and remove oil from the pit's surface. An oil absorbent boom will be stored on-site until closure of pit.
- 9. Only fluids generated during the drilling or workover process may be discharged into a temporary pit.
- 10. BR will maintain the temporary pit free of miscellaneous solid waste or debris.
- 11. While a rig is on location, BR will inspect the temporary pit at least once daily to ensure compliance with this plan. Inspections will be logged in the IADC reports. BR will file this log with the Aztec Division office upon closure of the pit.

- 12. After drilling operations, BR will inspect the temporary pit weekly so long as liquids remain in the temporary pit. A log of the inspections will be stored at BR's office electronically and will be filed with the Aztec Division office upon closure of the pit.
- 13. BR shall maintain at least two feet of freeboard for a temporary pit.
- 14. BR shall remove all free liquids from a temporary pit within 60 days from the date the operator releases the drilling rig.
- 15. BR shall remove all free liquids from a cavitation pit within 48 hours after completing cavitation. BR may request additional time to remove liquids from the Aztec Division office if it is not feasible to remove liquids within 48 hours.

Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LPSan Juan Basin Closure Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 NMAC the following information describes the closure requirements of temporary pits on Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP (BR)locations. This is BR's standard procedure for all temporary pits. A separate plan will be submitted for any temporary pit which does not conform to this plan.

All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted to NMOCD within 60 days of closure of pit. Closure report will be filed on C-144 and incorporate the following:

- Details on Capping and Covering, where applicable.
- Plot Plan (Pit Diagram)
- Inspection Reports
- Sampling Results
- C-105
- Copy of Deed Notice will be filed with County Clerk for Fee Wells

General Plan:

- 1. All free standing liquids will be removed at the start of the pit closure process from the pit and disposed of in a division–approved facility or recycle, reuse or reclaim the liquids in a manner that the appropriate division district office approves. The facilities to be used will be Basin Disposal (Permit #NM-01-005) and Envirotech Land Farm (Permit #NM-01-011).
- 2. The preferred method of closure for all temporary pits will be in-place burial, assuming that all the criteria listed in 19.15.17.13.D are met.
- 3. The surface owner shall be notified of BR's closing of the temporary pit within 72 hours, but not more than one week, prior to closure via certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 4. Within 6 months of the Rig Off status of the first drilling rig using the pit BR will ensure that temporary pits are closed, re-contoured, and reseeded.
- 5. Notice of Closure will be given prior to closure to the Aztec Division office within 72 hour, but not more than and one week, via email and verbally. The notification of closure will include the following:
 - i. Operator's name
 - ii. Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range. Well name and API number.
- 6. Pit contents will be mixed with non-waste containing, earthen material in order to achieve the solidification process. The solidification process will be accomplished using a combination of natural drying and mechanically mixing. Pit contents will be mixed with non-waste, earthen material to a consistency that is deemed a safe and stable. The mixing ratio shall not exceed 3 parts clean soil to 1 part pit contents and must pass the paint filter liquids test (EPA SW-846, Method 9095) or other test methods approved by the division.
- 7. BR will collect, at a minimum, a five point composite sample of the temporary pit contents to demonstrate that, after the waste is solidified or stabilized with soil or other non-waste material at a ratio of no more than 3:1 soil or other non-waste material to waste, the concentration of any contaminant in the stabilized waste is not higher than the parameters listed in table II of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.
- 8. BR will fold the outer edges of the liner to overlap the waste material prior to the installation of a geomembrane cover. Install a geomembrane cover over the waste material in the lined temporary pit and in a manner that prevents the collection of infiltration water in the lined temporary pit and on the geomembrane cover after the coil cover is in place; the geomembrane cover shall consist of a 20-mil string reinforced LLDPE liner or equivalent cover that the appropriate division district office approves; the geomembrane cover shall be composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions; cover compatibility shall comply with EPA SW -845 Method 9090A.

- 9. Upon completion of solidification and testing standards being passed, the pit area will be backfilled with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material. A minimum of four feet of non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material with chloride concentrations less that 600 mg/kg as analyzed by EPA Method 300.0. The soil cover shall include either the background thickness of topsoil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, whichever is greater. [19.15.17.13 H.3]
- 10. During the stabilization process if the liner is ripped by equipment the Aztec NMOCD office will be notified within 48 hours and the liner will be repaired if possible. If the liner can not be repaired then all contents will be excavated and removed.
- 11. Dig and Haul Material will be transported to the Envirotech Land Farm located 16 miles south of Bloomfield on Angel Peak Road, CR 7175. Permit # NM01001.
- 12. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding. Reshaping will include drainage control, prevent ponding, and prevent erosion. Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be place in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final re-contour shall have a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.
- 13. For those portions of the former temporary pit area no longer needed for production activities, BR will seed the disturbed areas the first favorable growing season after the temporary pit is covered. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical, or by other Division-approved methods. BR will notify the division when reclamation and revegetation is complete.

Reclamation of the temporary pit area will be considered complete when:

- Vegetative cover reflects a life form ratio of +/- 50% of pre-disturbance levels.
- Total percent plant cover of at least 70% of pre-disturbance levels (Excluding noxious weeds).

OR

- Pursuant to 19.15.17.13.H.D, BR will comply with obligations imposed by other applicable federal or tribal agencies in which their re-vegetation and reclamation requirements provide equal or better protection of water, human health and the environment.
- 14. The temporary pit will be located with a steel marker, no less than four inches in diameter, cemented in a hole three feet deep in the center of the onsite burial upon the abandonment of all the wells on the pad. The marker will be flush with the ground to allow access of the active well pad and for safety concerns. The marker will include a threaded collar to be used for future abandonment. The top of the marker will contain a welded steel 12" square plate that indicates the onsite burial of the temporary pit.
 - The plate will be easily removable and a four foot tall riser will be threaded into the top of the collar marker and welded around the base with the operator's information at the time all wells on the pad are abandoned. The operator's information will include the following: Operator Name, Lease Name, Well Name and number, Unit Number, Section, Township, Range and an indicator that the marker is an onsite burial location.