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1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
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1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
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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

Form C-144  
July 21, 2008

For temporary pits, closed-loop systems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

**Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or  
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application**

- Type of action: ☐ Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
☒ Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
☐ Modification to an existing permit  
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

**Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, 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.

1.  
Operator: BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY OGRID #: 778  
Address: 380 North Airport Road, Durango, CO 81303  
Facility or well name: GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT 215  
API Number: 3004511622 OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
U/L or Qtr/Qtr M Section 16.0 Township 28.0N Range 12W County: San Juan County  
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.65747 Longitude -108.12239 NAD: ☐ 1927 ☒ 1983  
Surface Owner: ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☒ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.  
☐ **Pit:** Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Temporary: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover  
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A  
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ String-Reinforced  
Liner Seams: ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Dimensions: L \_\_\_\_\_ x W \_\_\_\_\_ x D \_\_\_\_\_

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**DISTRICT III**

3.  
☐ **Closed-loop System:** Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Type of Operation: ☐ P&A ☐ Drilling a new well ☐ Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent)  
☐ Drying Pad ☐ Above Ground Steel Tanks ☐ Haul-off Bins ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Liner Seams: ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

4.  
☒ **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC **Tank ID:** A  
Volume: 95.0 bbl Type of fluid: Produced Water  
Tank Construction material: Steel  
☒ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off  
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other DOUBLE WALLED DOUBLE BOTTOMED SIDEWALLS NOT VISIBLE  
Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

5.  
☐ **Alternative Method:**  
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

6.

**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 (*Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church*)
- ☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet
- ☐ Alternate. Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

7.

**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)

8.

**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

9.

**Administrative Approvals 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:**

- ☐ Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.
- ☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

10.

**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. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to permanent pits) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

11.

**Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment 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.

- ☐ 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 19.15.17.11 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: \_\_\_\_\_

12.

**Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment 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.

- ☐ Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9  
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  
☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan    API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Applies only to closed-loop system that use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)

13.

**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 attached.

- ☐ 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  
☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Leak Detection 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  
☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H<sub>2</sub>S, Prevention Plan  
☐ Emergency Response Plan  
☐ Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization  
☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan  
☐ Erosion Control Plan  
☐ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

14.

**Proposed Closure:** 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 ☐ Permanent Pit ☐ Below-grade Tank ☐ Closed-loop System  
☐ Alternative  
 Proposed Closure Method: ☐ Waste Excavation and Removal  
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)  
☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial  
☐ Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)

15.

**Waste Excavation and Removal 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.

- ☐ 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 F 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 I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

16.

**Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC)**

**Instructions:** Please identify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No

**Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:**

☐ 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 I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

17.

**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 may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 50 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 50 and 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

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 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 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 private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance 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 500 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within an unstable area.

- 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.

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☐ No

18.

**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 F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements 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 Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)

☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC



19.

**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 belief.

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

20.

**OCD Approval:** ☐ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☒ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Approval Date: 3/5/2019

Title: Environmental Specialist OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

21.

**Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** Subsection K of 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: 8/20/2012

22.

**Closure Method:**

☒ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

23.

**Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:**

**Instructions:** Please identify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:

- ☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)  
☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation  
☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

24.

**Closure Report Attachment Checklist:** Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check 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)  
☐ 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)

On-site Closure Location: Latitude 36.65747 Longitude -108.12239 NAD: ☐ 1927 ☒ 1983

25.

**Operator Closure Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): Steve Moskal Title: Field Environmental Coordinator

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 3/1/2019

e-mail address: steven.moskal@bpx.com Telephone: 505-330-9179

22.

**Operator Closure Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Form C-141  
Revised August 24, 2018  
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

Incident ID	
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

## Release Notification

NVF 1906434193

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party <b>BPX Energy</b>	OGRID <b>778</b>
Contact Name <b>Steve Moskal</b>	Contact Telephone <b>(505) 330-9179</b>
Contact email <b>Steven.Moskal@bpx.com</b>	Incident # (assigned by OCD)
Contact mailing address <b>380 North Airport Road, Durango, CO 81303</b>	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 36.65747 Longitude -108.12239  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name <b>GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT 215</b>	Site Type <b>Natural Gas Well</b>
Date Release Discovered <b>08/20/2012</b>	API# (if applicable) <b>30-045-11622</b>

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
<b>M</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28N</b>	<b>12W</b>	<b>San Juan</b>

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☐ Federal ☒ Tribal ☐ Private (Name: \_\_\_\_\_)

### Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

<input type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls) <b>Unkown</b>	Volume Recovered (bbls) <b>None</b>
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Condensate	Volume Released (bbls) <b>Unkown</b>	Volume Recovered (bbls) <b>None</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas	Volume Released (Mcf)	Volume Recovered (Mcf)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

Cause of Release **Undetermined. Possible causes; 1) previous unlined earthen pit at same position as below-grade tank (BGT), or 2) previous BGT integrity loss or overflow event(s).**




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<p>Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release?</p> <p><b>Identified after initial site visit on 08/20/2012 (initial calculation derived soil quantity &gt;500 cubic yards).</b></p>
<p>If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?</p> <p><b>Yes. By whom: Courtney Cochran or Jeff Peace of BP. To whom: Unknown NMOCD Aztec personnel. When: 08/21/2012 late morning or early afternoon via telecom. NMOCD personnel on-site on 08/22/2012.</b></p>	

### Initial Response

*The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury*

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.</p>	
<p>If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why:</p> <p><b>Impacted soils identified categorized as historical/legacy in nature. Release investigation conducted in September 2012.</b></p>	
<p>Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.</p>	
<p>I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.</p>	
<p>Printed Name: <u>Steve Moskal</u></p> <p>Signature: <u></u></p> <p>email: <u>Steven.Moskal@bpx.com</u></p>	<p>Title: <u>Environmental Coordinator</u></p> <p>Date: <u>3/1/2019</u></p> <p>Telephone: <u>(505) 330-9179</u></p>
<p><b><u>OCD Only</u></b></p> <p>Received by: _____ Date: _____</p>	



**BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY**  
SAN JUAN BASIN, NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO

**BELOW-GRADE TANK CLOSURE PLAN**

**Gallegos Canyon Unit # 215 – Tank ID: A**

**API #: 3004511622**

**Unit Letter M, Section 16, T28N, R12W**

This plan will address the standard protocols and procedures for closure of below-grade tanks (BGTs) on BP America Production Company (BP) well sites. As stipulated in Paragraph A of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, BP shall close a BGT within the time periods provided in 19.15.17.13 NMAC, or by an earlier date that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) requires because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health, safety or the environment. If deviations from this plan are necessary, any specific changes will be included on form C-144 and approved by the NMOCD. BP shall close an existing BGT that does not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC or is not included in Paragraph (5) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC within five years after June 16, 2008, if not retrofit with a BGT that complies with the BP NMOCD approved BGT design attached to the BP Design and Construction Plan. BP shall close an existing BGT that does not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC, if not previously retrofitted to comply with the BP NMOCD approved BGT Design attached to the BP Design and Construction Plan, prior to any sale or change in operator pursuant to 19.15.9.9 NMAC. BP shall close the permitted BGT within 60 days of cessation of the BGTs operation or as required by the transitional provisions of Subsection B, D, or E of 19.15.17.17 NMAC.

**General Closure Plan**

1. BP shall notify the surface owner by certified mail that it plans to close a BGT. Evidence of mailing of the notice to the address of the surface owner shown in the county tax records demonstrates compliance with this requirement.

**No notice was made due to misunderstanding of the notice requirements.**

2. BP shall notify the division District III office verbally or by other means at least 72 hours, but not more than one (1) week, prior to any closure operation. The notice shall include the operator's name, and the location to be closed by unit letter, section, township and range. If the BGT closure is associated with a particular well, then the notice shall also include the well's name, number and API number.

**No notice was made due to misunderstanding of the notice requirements.**

3. BP shall remove liquids and sludge from the BGT prior to implementing a closure method and dispose of the liquids and sludge in a NMOCD's division-approved facility. The facilities to be used are:

- a. BP Crouch Mesa Landfarm, Permit NM-02-003 (Solids)
- b. JFJ Landfarm, Permit NM-01-010(B) (Solids and Sludge)
- c. Basin Disposal, Permit NM-01-0005 (Liquids)
- d. Envirotech Inc Soil Remediation Facility, Permit NM-01-0011 (Solids and Sludge)
- e. BP Operated E.E. Elliott SWD #1, API 30-045-27799 (Liquids)
- f. BP Operated 13 GCU SWD #1, API 30-045-28601 (Liquids)
- g. BP Operated GCU 259 SWD, API 30-045-20006 (Liquids)
- h. BP Operated GCU 306 SWD, API 30-045-24286 (Liquids)
- i. BP Operated GCU 307 SWD, API 30-045-24248 (Liquids)
- j. BP Operated GCU 328 SWD, API 30-045-24735 (Liquids)
- k. BP Operated Pritchard SWD #1, API 30-045-28351 (Liquids)

**All liquids and/or sludge within the BGT were removed and sent to one of the above NMOCD approved facilities for disposal.**

4. BP shall remove the BGT and dispose of it in a NMOCD approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the NMOCD approves. If a liner is present and must be disposed of it will be cleaned by scraping any soils or other attached materials on the liner to a de minimus amount and disposed at a permitted solid waste facility, pursuant to Subparagraph (m) of Paragraph (1) of Subsection C of 19.15.35.8 NMAC. Documentation as to the final disposition of the removed BGT will be provided in the final closure report.

**The BGT was transported for recycling.**

5. BP shall remove any on-site equipment associated with a BGT unless the equipment is required for well production.

**Equipment associated with the BGT still being utilized for well production by disposing fluids into current low profile above-grade tank.**

6. BP shall test the soils beneath the BGT to determine whether a release has occurred. BP shall collect at a minimum: a five (5) point composite sample and individual grab samples from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release and analyze for BTEX, TPH and chlorides. The testing methods for those constituents are as follows;

Constituents	Testing Method	Release Verification (mg/Kg)	Sample Results
Benzene	US EPA Method SW-846 8021B or 8260B	0.2	NC
Total BTEX	US EPA Method SW-846 8021B or 8260B	50	NC
TPH	US EPA Method SW-846 418.1	100	NC
Chlorides	US EPA Method 300.0 or 4500B	250 or background	NC

Notes: mg/Kg = milligram per kilogram, BTEX = benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes, TPH = total petroleum hydrocarbons, NC = none collected.

**Soils beneath the BGT obviously impacted by hydrocarbons. Scope of work immediately changed to release investigation; therefore no confirmation sample was collected. A field report is attached.**

7. BP shall notify the division District III office of its results on form C-141.

**C-141 is attached.**

8. If it is determined that a release has occurred, then BP will comply with 19.15.30 NMAC and 19.15.29 NMAC, as appropriate.

**Soils directly beneath the BGT observed as being impacted by hydrocarbons. Scope of work immediately changed to release investigation; therefore, no confirmation sample was collected. A field report is attached.**

9. If the sampling demonstrates that a release has not occurred or that any release does not exceed the concentrations specified above, then BP shall backfill the excavation, with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material; construct a division-prescribed soil cover, re-contour and re-vegetate the location. The location will be reclaimed if it is not with in the active process area.

**Soils beneath the BGT obviously impacted by hydrocarbons. Scope of work immediately changed to release investigation; therefore no confirmation sample was collected. A field report is attached.**

10. BP shall reclaim the BGT location and all areas associated with the BGT including associated access roads to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. BP shall substantially restore the impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to oil and gas operations by placement of the soil cover as provided in Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, re-contour the location and associated areas to a contour that approximates the original contour and blends with the surrounding topography and re-vegetate according to Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.

**The BGT area is still being utilized for well production. Area will be reclaimed after plug & abandonment of gas well.**

11. The soil cover for closures where the BGT has been removed or remediated to the NMOCD's satisfaction shall consist of the background thickness of topsoil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, whichever is greater. The soil cover will be constructed to the site's existing grade and all practicable efforts will be made to prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material.

**The BGT area is still being utilized for well production. Area will be reclaimed after plug & abandonment of gas well.**

12. BP shall seed the disturbed area the first growing season after closure of the BGT. Seeding will be accomplished by drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. Vegetative cover will be, at a minimum, 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (un-impacted by overgrazing, fire or other intrusion damaging to native vegetation), consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintenance of that cover through two successive growing seasons. During the two growing seasons that prove viability, there shall be no artificial irrigation of the vegetation.

**The BGT area is still being utilized for well production. Area will be reclaimed after plug & abandonment of gas well.**

13. BP shall seed, plant and re-seed pursuant to Paragraph (3) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, until the location successfully achieves the required vegetative cover.

**The BGT area is still being utilized for well production. Area will be reclaimed after plug & abandonment of gas well.**

14. Pursuant to Paragraph (5) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, BP shall notify the NMOCD when it has seeded or planted and when it successfully achieves re-vegetation.

**BP will notify NMOCD when re-vegetation is successfully completed.**

15. Within 60 days of closure completion, BP shall submit a closure report on NMOCD's form C-144, and will include the following;

- a. proof of closure notification (surface owner and NMOCD)
- b. sampling analytical reports; information required by 19.15.17 NMAC;
- c. disposal facility name and permit number
- d. details on back-filling, capping, covering, and where applicable re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques and
- e. site reclamation, photo documentation.

**Closure report on C-144 form is included.**

16. BP shall certify that all information in the report and attachments is accurate, truthful, and compliant with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

**Certification section of C-144 has been completed.**



CLIENT: <b>BP</b>	<b>BLAGG ENGINEERING, INC.</b> <b>P.O. BOX 87, BLOOMFIELD, NM 87413</b> <b>(505) 632-1199</b>	API #: <b>3004511622</b> TANK ID (if applicable): <b>A</b>
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<b>FIELD REPORT:</b> (circle one): <b>BGT CONFIRMATION</b> RELEASE INVESTIGATION / OTHER:	PAGE #: <b>1</b> of <b>1</b>
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<b>SITE INFORMATION:</b>	SITE NAME: <b>GCU # 215</b>	DATE STARTED: <b>08/20/12</b>
QUAD/UNIT: <b>M</b> SEC: <b>16</b> TWP: <b>28N</b> RNG: <b>12W</b> PM: <b>NM</b> CNTY: <b>SJ</b> ST: <b>NM</b>		DATE FINISHED:
1/4 -1/4/FOOTAGE: <b>990'S / 1,190'W</b> <b>SW/SW</b> LEASE TYPE: <b>FEDERAL / STATE / FEE</b> <b>INDIAN</b>		ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST(S): <b>NJV</b>
LEASE #: <b>I-149-IND-8475</b> PROD. FORMATION: <b>DK</b> CONTRACTOR: <b>ELKHORN MBF - C. ZELLITTI</b>		

<b>REFERENCE POINT:</b>	WELL HEAD (W.H.) GPS COORD.: <b>36.65776 X 108.12200</b> GL ELEV.: <b>5,447'</b> 1) <b>95 BGT (DW/DB)</b> GPS COORD.: <b>36.65747 X 108.12239</b> DISTANCE/BEARING FROM W.H.: <b>153', S46W</b> 2) GPS COORD.: DISTANCE/BEARING FROM W.H.: 3) GPS COORD.: DISTANCE/BEARING FROM W.H.: 4) GPS COORD.: DISTANCE/BEARING FROM W.H.:
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<b>SAMPLING DATA:</b>	CHAIN OF CUSTODY RECORD(S) # OR LAB USED:	OVM READING (ppm)
1) SAMPLE ID: SAMPLE DATE: SAMPLE TIME: LAB ANALYSIS: 2) SAMPLE ID: SAMPLE DATE: SAMPLE TIME: LAB ANALYSIS: 3) SAMPLE ID: SAMPLE DATE: SAMPLE TIME: LAB ANALYSIS: 4) SAMPLE ID: SAMPLE DATE: SAMPLE TIME: LAB ANALYSIS:		

<b>SOIL DESCRIPTION:</b>	SOIL TYPE: <b>SAND</b> <b>SILTY SAND</b> SILT / SILTY CLAY / CLAY / GRAVEL / OTHER SOIL COLOR: <b>MOSTLY DARK YELLOWISH ORANGE TO MODERATE BROWN</b> COHESION (ALL OTHERS): <b>NON COHESIVE</b> SLIGHTLY COHESIVE / COHESIVE / HIGHLY COHESIVE CONSISTENCY (NON COHESIVE SOILS): <b>LOOSE</b> <b>FIRM</b> DENSE / VERY DENSE MOISTURE: DRY <b>SLIGHTLY MOIST</b> MOIST / WET <b>SATURATED</b> SUPER SATURATED SAMPLE TYPE: GRAB / COMPOSITE - # OF PTS. DISCOLORATION/STAINING OBSERVED: <b>YES</b> NO EXPLANATION - <b>MEDIUM GRAY TO BLACK BENEATH BGT.</b> ANY AREAS DISPLAYING WETNESS: <b>YES</b> NO EXPLANATION - <b>1' BELOW BGT AND AT APPROX. 16'-17' BELOW GRADE (SATURATED).</b> APPARENT EVIDENCE OF A RELEASE OBSERVED AND/OR OCCURRED: <b>Y</b> N EXPLANATION: <b>NOT FROM BGT. APPEARS HISTORICAL IN ORIGIN.</b> ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: <b>DUE TO EXTENSIVE HYDROCARBON IMPACTS OBSERVED, NO SAMPLES WERE COLLECTED FOR BGT CLOSURE. INVESTIGATION OR REMEDIATION OF IMPACTED SOILS AND/OR POSSIBLY GROUNDWATER WILL BE CONDUCTED IN FUTURE.</b> EXCAVATION DIMENSIONS (if applicable): <b>?</b> ft. X <b>?</b> ft. X <b>?</b> ft. cubic yards excavated (if applicable): <b>?</b> DEPTH TO GROUNDWATER: <b>&lt;50'</b> NEAREST WATER SOURCE: <b>&gt;1,000'</b> NEAREST SURFACE WATER: <b>&lt;1,000'</b> NMOCDC TPH CLOSURE STD: <b>100</b> PPM
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<b>SITE SKETCH</b> 	PLOT PLAN circle: <b>attached</b> OVM CALIB. READ. = <b>NA</b> ppm RF = 0.52 OVM CALIB. GAS = <b>NA</b> ppm TIME: <b>NA</b> am/pm DATE: <b>NA</b>
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NOTES: BGT = BELOW-GRADE TANK; E.D. = EXCAVATION DEPRESSION; B.G. = BELOW GRADE; B = BELOW; T.H. = TEST HOLE; ~ = APPROX.; T.B. = TANK BOTTOM; PBGTL = PREVIOUS BELOW-GRADE TANK LOCATION; SPD = SAMPLE POINT DESIGNATION; R.W. = RETAINING WALL; NA - NOT APPLICABLE OR NOT AVAILABLE; SW - SINGLE WALL; DW - DOUBLE WALL; SB - SINGLE BOTTOM; DB - DOUBLE BOTTOM.	<b>MISCELL. NOTES</b> WO: <b>N1557827</b> PO #: <b>78892</b> PK: <b>ZSCHWLLBGT</b> PJ #: <b>Z2-00690-C</b> Permit date(s): <b>06/10/10</b> OCD Appr. date(s): <b>04/17/12</b> Tank ID: <b>A</b> BGT Sidewalls Visible: Y / (N) BGT Sidewalls Visible: Y / N BGT Sidewalls Visible: Y / N Magnetic declination: <b>10° E</b>
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TRAVEL NOTES:	CALLOUT: <b>08/20/12</b>
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