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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
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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

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

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

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: Pure Resources Telephone: 970-259-1374 e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: 463 Turner Drive, Durango CO 81303 Facility or well name: Rincon 255 API#: 300 3924628 U/L N 1185 FSL/ 1840 FWL Sec 20 T 27N R 6W  
County: Rio Arriba Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: 1927 ☐ 1983 ☐  
Surface Owner: Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☐

**Pit**  
Type: Drilling ☐ Production ☒ Disposal ☐  
Workover ☐ Emergency ☐  
Lined ☐ Unlined ☒  
Liner type: Synthetic ☐ Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil Clay ☐  
Pit Volume \_\_\_\_\_ 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 X	( 0 points) X

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 X	( 0 points) X

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 X	( 0 points) X

**Ranking Score (Total Points)** 0

**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: (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: Decommissioned Separator Pit. Separator was removed.

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: 7/30/05

Printed Name/Title John Hagstrom as Agent for Pure Resources 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: DEPUTY OIL & GAS INSPECTOR, DIST. 3  
Printed Name/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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

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June 22, 2005

SMA Project: 5115310

RE: Sampling activities for Pit Closure at the Rincon 255. Unit N, Sec. 20, T 27N, R 6W, Fruitland Coal, Rio Arriba County NM. Fed Lease SF079366. API 3003924628.

On June 6, 2005, SMA mobilized to the unlined separator pit at the Rincon 255. The dimensions of the unlined pit are approximately 20 X 20 X 4 feet.

On June 6, 2005, SMA collected a soil sample from the center pit bottom for field analysis by Photo Ionization Detector (PID). A four-point composite soil sample was collected from the sidewalls for field analysis by PID. The center pit bottom sample showed a PID reading of 30.1 units and the sidewall composite sample showed a PID reading of 45.4 units. Soil samples for closure were collected for laboratory analysis. Samples were analyzed for Diesel Range Organics (DRO), and Gasoline Range Organics (GRO). Based on Field Screening with a PID, BTEX was not analyzed by laboratory methods. The laboratory analysis of the closure samples showed hydrocarbon levels of:

June 6, 2005	PID Units	DRO ppm	GRO ppm	BTEX ppm
4 Point Sidewall	45.4	BDL	BDL	NA
Center Pit Bottom	30.1	BDL	BDL	NA

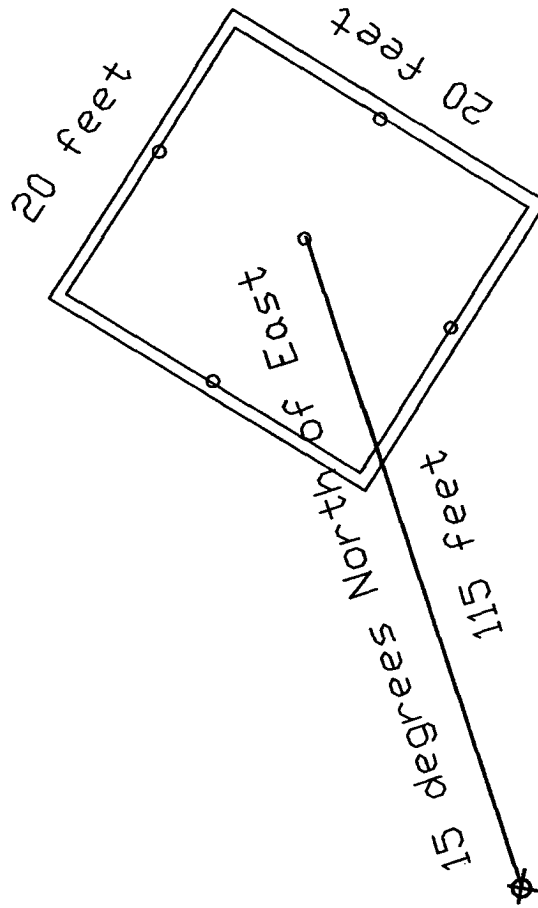
BDL: Below Detection Limits

NA: Not Analyzed

No remedial excavation is needed based on laboratory analysis of soil samples. On behalf of our client, Pure Resources, SMA requests closure for this pit. Groundwater was not encountered.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hagstrom  
Environmental Technician  
**Souder, Miller and Associates**



## LEGEND

Wellhead

Sampling Point
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612 E. MURRAY DR. PH. (505) 325-5867  
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**APPROVED:**

**DRAWN BY: JPH**

CHK'D BY:

PROJECT NO: 6115310

DATE:

DATE: 9/29/05

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**SHEET: 1 OF 1**

Rincon 255

1185 FSL, 1840 FWL, S20, T27N, R6W

API 3003924628

Rio Arriba County, NM

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## ANALYTICAL REPORT

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P.O. Box 3788  
Shiprock, NM 87420

Off: (505) 368-4065

Date: 15-Jun-05

**CLIENT:** Souder, Miller & Associates  
**Work Order:** 0506007  
**Project:** Pure Resources Rincon 255/5115310  
**Lab ID:** 0506007-001A

**Client Sample Info:** Pure Resources Rincon 255  
**Client Sample ID:** Rincon 255 SW  
**Collection Date:** 6/6/2005 10:20:00 AM  
**Matrix:** SOIL

Parameter	Result	PQL	Qual	Units	DF	Date Analyzed
<b>DIESEL RANGE ORGANICS</b>		<b>SW8015B</b>		Analyst: JEM		
T/R Hydrocarbons: C10-C28	ND	25.0		mg/Kg	1	6/10/2005
Surr: o-Terphenyl	79.4	57-136		%REC	1	6/10/2005
<b>GASOLINE RANGE ORGANICS</b>		<b>SW8015B</b>		Analyst: JEM		
T/R Hydrocarbons: C6-C10	ND	4.50		mg/Kg	25	6/9/2005
Surr: Trifluorotoluene	103	84-149		%REC	25	6/9/2005

**Qualifiers:**  
ND - Not Detected at the Practical Quantitation Limit  
J - Analyte detected below Practical Quantitation Limit  
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H - Parameter exceeded Maximum Allowable Holding Time

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**Project:** Pure Resources Rincon 255/5115310  
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**Client Sample ID:** Rincon 255 CP  
**Collection Date:** 6/6/2005 10:22:00 AM  
**Matrix:** SOIL

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<b>DIESEL RANGE ORGANICS</b>		<b>SW8015B</b>		Analyst: JEM		
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Surr: o-Terphenyl	85.0	57-136		%REC	1	6/10/2005
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