



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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June 12, 2003

Mr. Neal Goates  
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**RE: CASE # 3R-83  
FARMINGTON B COM #1  
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**



Dear Mr. Goates:

30-045-08330

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed ConocoPhillips May 12, 2003 correspondence titled "FARMINGTON B COM#1" which was submitted on behalf of ConocoPhillips by their consultant Souder Miller and Associates. This document contains the results of ConocoPhillips' soil and ground water remediation actions related to a separator pit and other contamination areas at the Farmington B Com #1 well site located in Unit H, Sec. 15, T29N, R13W, San Juan County, New Mexico. The document also requests closure of the site remedial actions.

The soil and ground water remedial activities conducted at the above site are satisfactory and the OCD **approves** of final closure of the site on the condition that all site monitor wells be plugged and abandoned by cutting the casing off below ground surface and grouting the well annulus from the base to the surface with a cement grout containing 3-5% bentonite. Please be advised that OCD approval does not relieve ConocoPhillips of responsibility if remaining contaminants pose a future threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve ConocoPhillips of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state or local laws and regulations.

If you have any questions, please call me at (505) 476-3491.

Sincerely,

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xc: Denny Foust, OCD-Aztec District Office  
John Hagstrom, Souder Miller and Associates



June 25, 2003

ConocoPhillips  
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RE: Abandonment of Five Groundwater Monitoring Wells, One Piezometer, One Recovery Well, and One Cathodic Well located at the Farmington B Com 1.

On June 25, 2003, *SOUDER MILLER AND ASSOCIATES* STAFF abandoned six monitoring wells; WSP-0, WSP-1, WSP-2, WSP-3, WSP-4, Recovery Well, Cathodic Well, and the Piezometer at the Farmington B Com 1 location. Abandonment was accomplished following the protocols set forth in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Guidelines and Regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 325-5667.

*SOUDER MILLER AND ASSOCIATES*

Respectfully submitted,  
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Environmental Technician

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