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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.

3827  
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: Jicarilla Apache Energy Corp (JAECO) OGRID #: 11589

Address: P.O. Box 710 Dulce, New Mexico 87458

Facility or well name: JAECO 28-3 No. 9B

API Number: 30-039-30008

OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

U/L or Qtr/Qtr: P Section 9 Township 28N Range 3W County: Rio Arriba

Center of Proposed Design: ~ 73' West of Latitude 36.65165 deg N Longitude - 107.15439 deg W 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 20 mil ☒ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ String-Reinforced

Liner Seams: ☒ Welded ☒ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Volume: ~ 10,000 bbl Dimensions: L 170' x W 55' x D 10'

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

Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Type of fluid: \_\_\_\_\_

Tank Construction material: \_\_\_\_\_

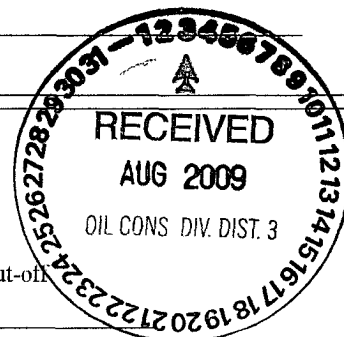
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off

☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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 4' hogwire fence with a single strand of barbed wire on top.

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 19.15.3.103 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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): JESSE D. EVANS Title: CEO + PRESIDENT  
 Signature: Jesse Evans Date: July 31, 2009  
 e-mail address: jevans232000@yahoo.com Telephone: 575-759-3224

20.

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

OCD Representative Signature: Brandon Pelt Approval Date: 8/4/09  
 Title: Enviro Spec 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ 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): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

## Hydro-Geological report for JAECO 28-3 No. 9B

### Regional Hydro-Geological Report:

The San Jose Formation of Eocene age occurs in New Mexico and Colorado, and its outcrop forms the land surface over much of the eastern half of the central basin. It overlies the Nacimiento Formation in the area generally south of the Colorado-New Mexico State line and overlies the Animas Formation in the area generally north of the State line.

The San Jose Formation was deposited in various fluvial-type environments. In general, the unit consists of an interbedded sequence of sandstone, siltstone, and variegated shale. Thickness of the San Jose Formation generally increases from west to east (200 feet in the west and south to almost 2,700 feet in the center of the structural basin). Ground water is associated with alluvial and fluvial sandstone aquifers. Thus, the occurrence of ground water is mainly controlled by the distribution of sandstone in the formation. The distribution of such sandstone is the result of original depositional extent plus any post-depositional modifications, namely erosion and structural deformation. Transmissivity data for San Jose Formation are minimal. Values of 40 and 120 feet squared per day were determined from two aquifer tests (Stone et al, 1983, table 5). The reported or measured discharge from 46 water wells completed in San Jose Formation ranges from 0.15 to 61 gallons per minute and the median is 5 gallons per minute. Most of the wells provide water for livestock and domestic use.

The San Jose Formation is a very suitable unit for recharge from precipitation because soils that form on the unit are sandy and highly permeable and therefore readily adsorb precipitation. However, low annual precipitation, relatively high transpiration and evaporation rates, and deep dissection of the San Jose Formation by the San Juan River and its tributaries all tend to reduce the effective recharge to the unit.

### Reference:

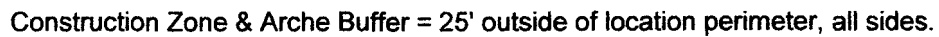
Stone et al., 1983, Hydrogeology and Water Resources of the San Juan Basin, New Mexico: Socorro, New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources Hydrologic Report 6, 70 p.

Depth to Groundwater: Depth to groundwater is estimated at 115+ feet bgs. There are no iWaters wells with recorded groundwater depth within a one-mile radius of the pit. However, reported cathodic data associated with William's Indian H #1 (elevation 7039', approximately 6710' S 26 deg E from the pit) shows a depth to moisture of 60 feet. The JAECO 28-3 No. 9B well is at an elevation of 7229', adjusting for the differences in surface elevations puts depth to groundwater ~ 250 feet (see Topographic Map).



0' 50'

SCALE 1" = 50'



Elevation: 7229' UGL

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Form C-  
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Submit to Appropriate District Off  
State Lease - 4 Cop  
Fee Lease - 3 Cop

☐ AMENDED REPO

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

<sup>1</sup> API Number <b>30-039-30008</b>	<sup>2</sup> Pool Code <b>72319</b>	<sup>3</sup> Pool Name <b>BLANCO-MESAVERDE</b>
<sup>4</sup> Property Code <b>36388</b>	<sup>5</sup> Property Name <b>JAECO 28-3</b>	<sup>6</sup> Well Number <b>9B</b>
<sup>7</sup> GRID No. <b>11859</b>	<sup>8</sup> Operator Name <b>JICARILLA APACHE ENERGY CORP.</b>	<sup>9</sup> Elevation <b>7229'</b>

<sup>10</sup> Surface Location

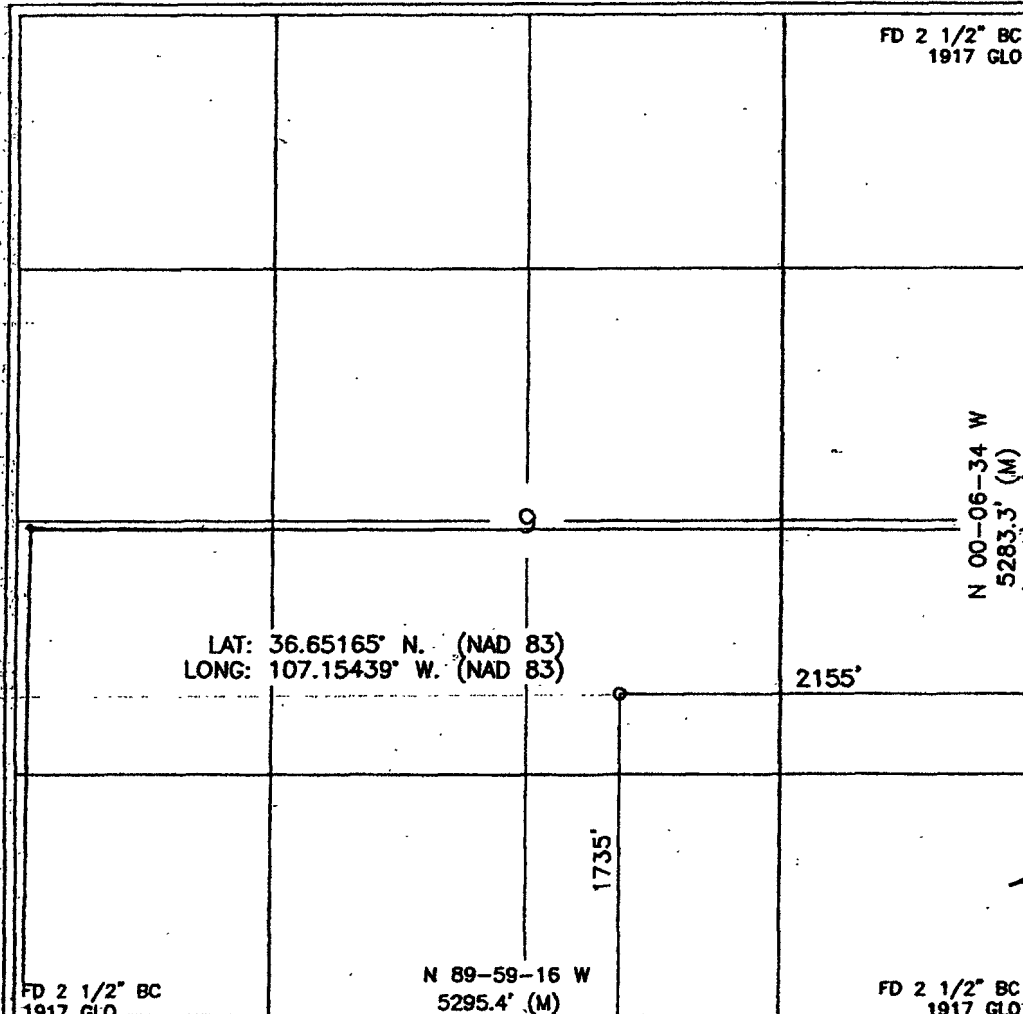
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
J	9	28-N	3-W		1735'	SOUTH	2155'	EAST	RIO ARRI

<sup>11</sup> Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
<sup>12</sup> Dedicated Acres <b>S/320 Acres</b>			<sup>13</sup> Joint or Infill <b>Y</b>		<sup>14</sup> Consolidation Code		<sup>15</sup> Order No. <b>RCVD MAR19'07 OIL CONS. DIV. DIST. 3</b>		

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATE  
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

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<sup>17</sup> OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.

*Charles Neeky* 7-26-06  
Signature Date  
*Charles Neeky*  
Printed Name

<sup>18</sup> SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by or under my supervision, and that the same is true or correct to the best of my belief.

APRIL 24, 2006

Date of Survey  
Signature  
JOHN A. VUKOVICH  
NEW MEXICO  
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR  
14831

Certificate Number



## **Jicarilla Apache Energy Corporation Pit Design and Construction Plan**

The following information describes the design and construction of the temporary pit on Jicarilla Apache Energy Corporation's JAECO 28-3 9B location. Since this location, including the reserve pit, was constructed in 2007 prior to Rule 19.15.17, JAECO will adhere to the design and construction criteria as closely as possible, however the pit walls have approximately a 1 to 1 slope and were not walked down by a crawler type tractor.

### **Plan:**

1. JAECO 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, topsoil will be stockpiled in the construction zone for later use in restoration.
3. JAECO will sign the well location in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC.
4. JAECO shall 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.
5. JAECO 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. JAECO constructed this temporary pit in 2007 prior to Rule 19.15.17, the walls are approximately 1 foot horizontal to 1 foot vertical.
7. Pit walls were not walked down by a crawler type tractor following construction in 2007.
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. JAECO will minimize liner seams and orient them up and down, not across a slope. Factory seams will be used whenever possible. JAECO 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. JAECO 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-off 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. JAECO will not allow freestanding liquids to remain on the unlined portion of a temporary blow pit.





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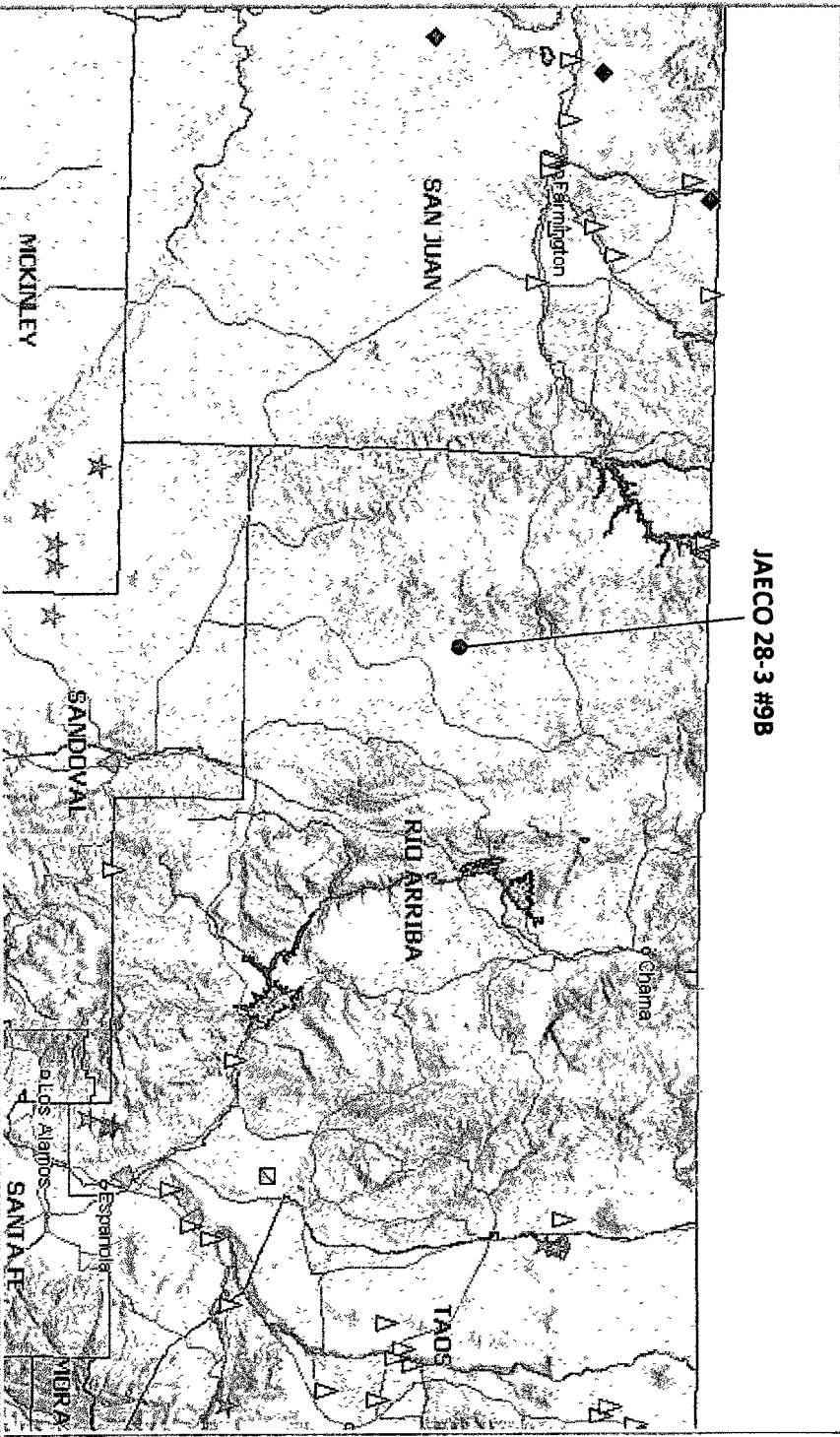
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MinesMillsQuarriesWebMap

# Mines, Mills and Quarries Web Map

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- ☒ Metal Mines and
- ☒ Potash Mines &
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## **Jicarilla Apache Energy Corp (JAECO)**

### **Temporary Pit Closure Plan**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.12 NMAC the following information describes the closure requirements of temporary pits on Jicarilla Apache Energy Corp locations. This is JAECO'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 OCD within 60 days of closure of pit closure. 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

#### **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 disposal facilities which JAECO plans to use will be TNT Environmental (Permit #NM-01-008) or Basin Disposal (Permit #NM-01-005) or Envirotech (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 sub-section (B) of 19.15.17.13 are met.
3. The surface owner shall be notified of JAECO's closing of the temporary pit prior to closure as per BLM MOU.
4. Within 6 months of the Rig Off status occurring JAECO 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 between 72 hours and one week via email, or verbally. The notification of closure will include the following:  
Operator's name, Location: by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range. Well name and API number.
6. Liner of temporary pit shall be removed above the "mud level". Removal of liner will consist of manually or mechanically cutting liner at mud level and removing all remaining liner that is above mud level. Care will be taken to remove "All" of the liner i.e., edges of liner entrenched or buried. All excessive liner will be disposed of at a permitted Landfill.
7. Pit contents shall be mixed with non-waste containing, earthen material in order to achieve the stabilization process. The stabilization 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 will support the pit's final cover. The mixing ratio shall not exceed 3 parts clean soil to 1 part pit contents.
8. A five point composite sample will be taken of the pit using sampling tools and all samples tested per Subsection B of 19.15.17.13(B)(1)(b). JAECO shall notify the division of the results on form C-141. If standard testing fails under the specific depth to groundwater permitted criteria, all contents will be handled per Subparagraph (a) of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.13 - Dig and haul. After doing such, confirmation sampling will be conducted to ensure a release has not occurred.
9. Upon completion of stabilization and testing standards being passed, the pit area will be backfilled with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material. A minimum of four feet of cover shall be achieved and the cover shall include one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, or the background thickness of topsoil, whichever is greater.
10. During the stabilization process, if the liner is ripped by equipment the Aztec OCD 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 a division-approved facility. The disposal facilities which JAECO plans to use will be TNT Environmental (Permit #NM-01-008) or Envirotech (Permit #NM-01-011).
12. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding. Re-shaping will include drainage control, prevent ponds, and prevent erosion. Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be placed 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. Notification will be sent to OCD when the reclaimed area is seeded.
14. JAECO shall seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after the pit is closed. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. APD stipulated seed mixtures will be used on Jicarilla Apache Tribal Lands. Vegetative cover will equal 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover; that said re-vegetation shall be agreed to, completed and accepted by the SMA.
15. 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 steel 12" square plate that indicates the onsite burial of the temporary pit. The plate will be 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 of 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 a reserve pit burial location.

### **Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstration & Hydro Geologic Analysis**

The JAECO 28-3 #9B is not located in an unstable area. The location is not over a mine and is not on the side of a hill as indicated on the Mines, Mills and Quarries Map and Topographic Map. The location of the excavated pit material will not be located within 300' of any continuously flowing watercourse or 200' from any other watercourse as indicated on the Topographic Map. The location is not within a 100-year floodplain area as indicated on the FEMA Map. All available evidence considered, ground water depth is greater than 115'. There are no i WATERS data points located in T28N, R3W as indicated on the TOPO Map. The hydro geologic analysis indicates the groundwater depth and the San Jose formation will create a stable area for this new location.

**Jicarilla Apache Energy Corp (JAECO)**  
**Temporary Pit**  
**Maintenance and Operating Plan**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 the following information describes the operation and maintenance of temporary pits on JAECO locations. This is JAECO'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. JAECO 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. JAECO will conserve drilling fluids by transferring liquids to pits ahead of the rigs whenever possible. All other drilling fluids will be disposed at TNT Environmental, permit # NM-0008-001 or Basin Disposal Inc., permit # NM-01-005.
3. JAECO 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 JECO 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, JAECO shall remove all liquids above the damaged liner within 48 hours and repair the damage or replace the liner. JAECO shall notify the Aztec Division office by phone or email within 48 hours of the discovery for leaks less than 25 barrels. JAECO shall notify the Aztec Division office as required pursuant to Subsection B of 19.15.3.116 NMAC shall be reported within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery of leaks greater than 25 barrels. In addition, immediate verbal notification pursuant to Subsection B, Paragraph (1), and Subparagraph (d) of 19.15.3.116 NMAC shall be reported to the division's Environmental Bureau Chief.
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-off by constructing and maintaining diversion ditches around the location or around the perimeter of the pit in some cases.
8. JAECO 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 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. JAECO will maintain the temporary pit free of miscellaneous solid waste or debris.
11. During drilling operations, JAECO will inspect the temporary pit at least once daily to ensure compliance with this plan. Inspections will be logged in the Drilling reports. JAECO will file this log with the Aztec Division office upon closure of the pit.
12. After drilling operations, JAECO will inspect the temporary pit weekly so long as liquids remain in the temporary pit. A log of the inspections will be stored at JAECO's office electronically and will be filed with the Aztec Division office upon closure of the pit.
13. JAECO shall maintain at least two feet of freeboard for a temporary pit.
14. JAECO shall remove all free liquids from a temporary pit within 30 days from the date the operator releases the drilling rig.



**TOPOGRAPHIC MAP**  
**JICARILLA APACHE ENERGY CORP**  
**JAECO 28-3 Well No. 9B**

1735' FSL & 2155' FEL  
Sec 9, T28N, R3W, NMPM  
Elevation: 7229' UGL  
Scale: 1" ~ 2000'

Number of iWaters Data Points on Topo Map = None

Neeley Consulting Service, LLC  
3001 Northridge Dr., Farmington, NM  
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T 29 N

**JAECO 28-3 No. 9B**

300' Diameter Circle

1 Mile Radius

Lease Line

T 28 N

William's Indian H-1 Well  
Elevation: 7039'  
Depth to Moisture, Cathodic Data: 60'

J-10 To Hwy 64

J-62 To J-10

J-62 To J-5

R 3 W

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

FORM APPROVED  
OMB No. 1004-0136  
Expires January 31, 2004

1a. Type of Work: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. MDA 701-04-0014	
1b. Type of Well: <input type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name JICARILLA APACHE NATION	
2. Name of Operator JICARILLA APACHE ENERGY CORP		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.	
3a. Address P.O. BOX 710 DULCE, NEW MEXICO 87528		8. Lease Name and Well No. JAECO 28-3 No. 9B	
3b. Phone No. (include area code) 505-759-3224		9. API Well No. 30-039-30008	
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements. *) At surface 1735' FSL & 2155' FEL At proposed prod. zone AS ABOVE		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory BLANCO MESAVERDE	
11. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 27.5 MILES SSW OF DULCE, NM		12. County or Parish RIO ARRIBA	
13. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 1735'		13. State NM	
14. Distance from proposed* location to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 1572'		16. No. of Acres in lease 8863.50	
15. Proposed Depth 6492'		17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well SOUTH HALF - 320 ACRES	
16. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file ON FILE		18. Estimated duration 15 DAYS	
17. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 7229' UGL		19. Approximate date work will start* OCTOBER 15, 2006	
20. Attachments		21. Estimated duration 15 DAYS	

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, shall be attached to this form:

1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.
2. A Drilling Plan.
3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).
4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above).
5. Operator certification.
6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer.

25. Signature 	Name (Printed/Typed) CHARLES NEELEY	Date 7/26/06
Title CONTRACT DRILLING ENGINEER		
Approved by (Signature) 	Name (Printed/Typed) Adam AFM Minerals	Date 3/15/07
Title Office		

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

\*(Instructions on reverse)

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