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

Form C-144 CLEZ  
July 21, 2008

For closed-loop systems that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

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**Closed-Loop System Permit or Closure Plan Application**

(that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)

Type of action: ☒ Permit ☐ Closure

Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144 CLEZ) per individual closed-loop system request. For any application request other than for a closed-loop system that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, please submit a Form C-144.

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: <u>BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY</u>	OGRID #: <u>778</u>	RCVD JUL 13 '10
	Address: <u>501 Westlake Park Blvd Houston, Tx 77079</u>		OIL CONS. DIV.
	Facility or well name: <u>Hughes LS 23</u>		DIST 3
	API Number: <u>30-045-21169</u>	OCD Permit Number: _____	
	U/L or Qtr/Qtr <u>L</u> Section <u>29</u> Township <u>29N</u> Range <u>08W</u> County: <u>San Juan</u>		
	Center of Proposed Design: Latitude <u>36.6936887</u> Longitude <u>107.7061375</u> NAD: <input type="checkbox"/> 1927 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1983		
	Surface Owner: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment		

2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Closed-loop System:</b> Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
	Operation: <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling a new well <input type="checkbox"/> Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P&A
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Above Ground Steel Tanks or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Haul-off Bins

3.	<b>Signs:</b> Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
	<input type="checkbox"/> 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC

4.	<b>Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist:</b> 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.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Closure Plan (Please complete Box 5) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: _____

5.	<b>Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:</b> (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: <u>See Attached Operations &amp; Maintenance Plan</u> 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?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
	<input type="checkbox"/> Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
	<input type="checkbox"/> Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

6.	<b>Operator Application Certification:</b>
	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): <u>Cherry Hlava</u> Title: <u>Regulatory Analyst</u>
	Signature: <u>Cherry Hlava</u> Date: <u>07/08/2010</u>
	e-mail address: <u>cherryhlava@bp.com</u> Telephone: <u>(281) 366-4081</u>

7. **OCD Approval:** ☒ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only)

OCD Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Date: 1/5/11

Title: Compliance Officer

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

8. **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: \_\_\_\_\_

9. **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

10. **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: \_\_\_\_\_

**BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY**  
**San Juan Basin in Northwest New Mexico**  
**Closed Loop System**  
**General Operating, Maintenance and Closure Plan**

Pursuant to Rule 19.15.17.12 NMAC, BP America Production shall maintain and operate a closed loop system with the following guidelines. Any deviations from this plan will be addressed with the submittal of Form C-144 at the time of the permit application.

- A) The closed loop system will be operated and maintained to contain liquids and prevent contamination of fresh water, protect public health and the environment.
- B) Well workover fluids will be re-used, recycled or disposed in a manner to protect fresh water, public health and the environment. Fluids and other wastes will be disposed at various NMOCID permitted sites, as listed at the end of this document. The listed disposal site permits allow acceptance of the specific exempt wastes generated (liquid or solids) during the proposed well work.
- C) No hazardous waste will be discharged or stored in the closed loop system, tanks or bins. Only solids and fluids generated during the well work process will be placed in storage containers.
- D) If the system develops a leak or is otherwise penetrated, including any freeboard portions, all liquids above the failure will be removed within 48 hours. The NMOCID Aztec District office will be notified within 48 hours and the failure will be either repaired or the container will be replaced. If a tank or bin develops a leak or is penetrated anywhere above the freeboard portion of the pit, the NMOCID Aztec District office will be notified within 48 hours and it will be repaired.
- I) The system will be inspected at least daily for integrity while the rig is on site.
- J) All free liquids will be removed from the system following well work and transported to an appropriate waste disposal facility, as listed below. Solids will be transported in transport bins to an appropriate waste disposal facility, as listed below.
- K) Tanks, bins and other apparatus of the closed loop system will be removed from the site as part of the rig move operation.

**Proposed waste disposal sites:**

BP Crouch Mesa Landfarm, Permit NM-02-003  
JFJ Landfarm, Permit NM-01-010(B)  
Basin Disposal, Permit NM-01-0005  
BP Operated B.E. Elliott SWD #1, API 30-045-27799  
BP Operated 13 GCU SWD #1, API 30-045-28601  
BP Operated GCU 259 SWD, API 30-045-20006  
BP Operated GCU 306 SWD, API 30-045-24286  
BP Operated GCU 307 SWD, API 30-045-24248  
BP Operated GCU 328 SWD, API 30-045-24735  
BP Operated Pritchard SWD #1, API 30-045-28351

**BP AMERICA PRODUCTION COMPANY**  
**San Juan Basin in Northwest New Mexico**  
**Closed Loop System for Well Workovers/PxA Operations**  
**General Design and Construction Plan**

Pursuant to Rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC, BP America Production (BP) will design and operate a closed loop system with the following guidelines. Any deviations from this plan will be addressed with the submittal of Form C-144 at the time of the permit application.

- A). The system will be constructed to contain liquids and prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment. It will be comprised of steel tanks and/or rolloff bins to contain well returns, cuttings, spent cement or other materials that may come from the well. No fencing is required for a closed loop system.
- B). An upright sign, not less than 12" x 24" with lettering not less than 2" height will be placed near the system. Alternatively, a well sign in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC will be posted at the well site. The sign will give BP's name, location by quarter-quarter or unit letter, section, township and range, and emergency phone numbers.
- C). The closed loop will be designed to ensure the confinement of oil, gas and water and other well returns and to prevent unauthorized releases. All tanks and bins will be of welded seam design with connecting piping installed and fitted to maintain system integrity. Drain valves will have blank plugs in place when fluid is in a tank or bin to prevent a fluid release to the ground surface in the event of an accidental valve opening.
- D). One or more frac tanks will be used on site to store water that has been transported to the location for the workover or PxA operations.