

**EL PASO FIELD SERVICES**  
**PRODUCTION PIT CLOSURE**  
DEPUTY OIL & GAS DIVISION

DEC 21 1998  
1-17-1999

RINCON UNIT #154  
Meter/Line ID - 73319

RECEIVED  
JUL 2 1998

Legals - Twn: 27      Rng: 06  
NMOCD Hazard Ranking: 10  
Operator: UNOCAL CORPORATION

SITE DETAILS

Sec: 30      Unit: 0  
Land Type: 2 - Federal  
Pit Closure Date: 01/09/95

OIL CON. DIV  
FACILITY

**RATIONALE FOR RISK-BASED CLOSURE:**

The above mentioned production pit was assessed and ranked according to the criteria in the New Mexico Conservation Division's Unlined Surface Impoundment Closure Guidelines.

The primary source, discharge to the pit, has been removed. There has been no discharge to the production pit for at least five years and the pit has been closed for at least three years.

The production pit has been remediated to the practical extent of the trackhoe or to the top of bedrock. Initial laboratory analysis has indicated that the soil remaining at the bottom of the excavation is above standards based on the hazard ranking score. Contaminated soil was removed and transported to an approved landfarm for disposal. The initial excavation was backfilled with clean soil and graded in a manner to divert precipitation away from the excavated area. Any rainfall that does infiltrate the ground surface must migrate through clean backfill before reaching any residual hydrocarbons remaining in the soil. Therefore, further mobility of residual hydrocarbons is unlikely.

Since the soil samples from the initial excavation were above standards, a test boring was drilled and a sample was collected to evaluate the vertical extent of impact to soils. Test boring sample results indicated soils below standards beneath the original excavation.

El Paso Field Services Company (EPFS) requests closure of the above mentioned production pit location for the following reasons:

- Discharge to the pit has not occurred in over five years and the pit has been closed for over three years.
- The bulk of the impacted soil was removed during the initial excavation.
- The excavation was backfilled with clean soil and graded to divert precipitation away from the excavation area.
- All source material has been removed from the ground surface, eliminating potential direct contact with livestock and the general public.
- Groundwater was not encountered in the initial excavation or test boring; therefore, impact to groundwater is unlikely.
- Soil samples collected beneath the initial excavation were below standards.
- No potential receptors are within 1,000 feet of the site.
- Residual hydrocarbons remaining in the soil at the bottom of the initial excavation will naturally degrade in time with minimal risk to the environment.

# FIELD PIT SITE ASSESSMENT FORM

GENERAL

Meter: 73319 Location: RINCON UNIT #154  
 Operator #: \_\_\_\_\_ Operator Name: UNOCAL P/L District: BLANCO  
 Coordinates: Letter: 0 Section 30 Township: 27 Range: 6  
 Or Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pit Type: Dehydrator \_\_\_\_\_ Location Drip: X Line Drip: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site Assessment Date: 12.5.94 Area: 03 Run: 62

## NMOCD Zone:

(From NMOCD  
Maps)

Inside  
Outside

## Land Type:

☒ (1)  
☐ (2)

BLM ☒ (1)  
State ☐ (2)  
Fee ☐ (3)  
Indian \_\_\_\_\_

## Depth to Groundwater

Less Than 50 Feet (20 points) ☐ (1)  
 50 Ft to 99 Ft (10 points) ☐ (2)  
 Greater Than 100 Ft (0 points) ☒ (3)

## Wellhead Protection Area :

Is it less than 1000 ft from wells, springs, or other sources of fresh water extraction? , or ; Is it less than 200 ft from a private domestic water source? ☐ (1) YES (20 points) ☒ (2) NO (0 points)

## Horizontal Distance to Surface Water Body

Less Than 200 Ft (20 points) ☐ (1)  
 200 Ft to 1000 Ft (10 points) ☒ (2)  
 Greater Than 1000 Ft (0 points) ☐ (3)

Name of Surface Water Body EPHEMERAL DRAINAGE TO PALLUCHE CANYON

(Surface Water Body : Perennial Rivers, Major Wash, Streams, Creeks, Irrigation Canals, Ditches, Lakes, Ponds)

Distance to Nearest Ephemeral Stream ☐ (1) < 100' (Navajo Pits Only)  
☐ (2) > 100'

TOTAL HAZARD RANKING SCORE: 10 POINTS

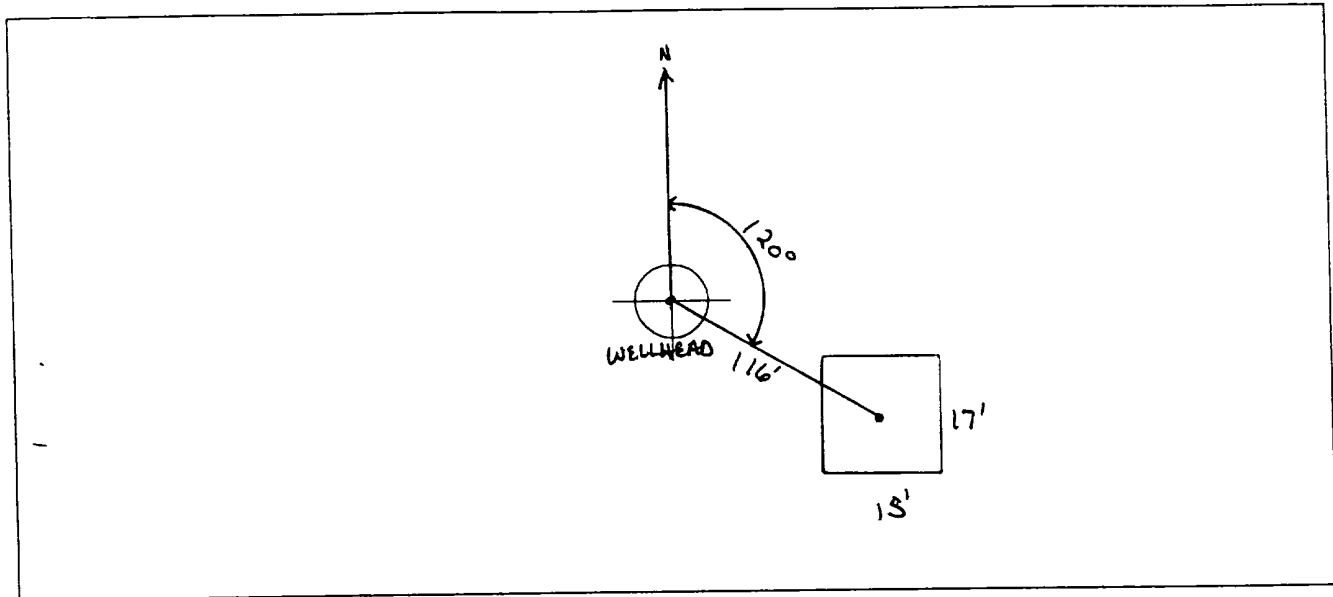
REMARKS

Remarks : REDLINE & TDPO SHOW LOCATION INSIDE V.Z. ONE PIT ON LOCATION - BELONGS TO UNOCAL EPNG LOCATION DRIP HAS BEEN CLOSED. WILL RE-DIG CLOSED PIT. NOTE ORANGE STAKE.

# ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION

Original Pit : a) Degrees from North 120° Footage from Wellhead 116'  
b) Length : 17' Width : 15' Depth : 0'

ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION



Remarks :

PHOTOS - 10.5.96

REMARKS

Completed By:

Paul Thompson

Signature

12.5.94

Date

# **PHASE I EXCAVATION**

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# FIELD PIT REMEDIATION/CLOSURE FORM

<b>GENERAL</b>	Meter: <u>73319</u> Location: <u>Rincon unit #154</u> Coordinates: Letter: <u>0</u> Section <u>30</u> Township: <u>27</u> Range: <u>6</u> Or Latitude _____ Longitude _____ Date Started : <u>1-9-95</u> Run: <u>03</u> <u>62</u>
<b>FIELD OBSERVATIONS</b>	Sample Number(s): <u>MK 318</u> Sample Depth: <u>12</u> Feet Final PID Reading <u>360</u> PID Reading Depth <u>12'</u> Feet <div style="text-align: center;">Yes      No</div> Groundwater Encountered <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approximate Depth _____ Feet
<b>CLOSURE</b>	Remediation Method : <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>           Excavation            Onsite Bioremediation            Backfill Pit Without Excavation         </div> <div style="text-align: right;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approx. Cubic Yards <u>60</u>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/> </div> </div> Soil Disposition: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>           Envirotech <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            Other Facility <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Tierra            Name: _____         </div> </div> Pit Closure Date: <u>1-9-95</u> Pit Closed By: _____
<b>REMARKS</b>	Remarks : <u>Pit was already close remove 2' of overburden before we hit contaminated soil. soil is gray has a strong Hydrocarbon odor</u>
Signature of Specialist: <u>Morgan Hillion</u>	



## FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY

## ANALYTICAL REPORT

## PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Inside the GWV Zone

## SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	ML 318	94/6558
MTR CODE   SITE NAME:	73319	N/A
SAMPLE DATE   TIME (Hrs):	1-9-95	1615
SAMPLED BY:	N/A	
DATE OF TPH EXT.   ANAL.:	1-12-95	1-12-95
DATE OF BTEX EXT.   ANAL.:	1/11/95	1/12/95
TYPE   DESCRIPTION:	VC	Brown clay

REMARKS:

## RESULTS

PARAMETER	RESULT	UNITS	QUALIFIERS			
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)
BENZENE	6.06	MG/KG	0.26936		4.95	20
TOLUENE	56.9	MG/KG	I		I	I
ETHYL BENZENE	26.9	MG/KG	I		I	I
TOTAL XYLENES	234	MG/KG	I	D1	I	I
TOTAL BTEX	324	MG/KG				
TPH (418.1)	5290	MG/KG			1.98	28
HEADSPACE PID	360	PPM				
PERCENT SOLIDS	87.6	%				

-- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 --

The Surrogate Recovery was at 138 % for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.

Narrative:

BFB correlated with hydrocarbons

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By:

Date: 2-22-95

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 \* Test Method for \*  
 \* Oil and Grease and Petroleum Hydrocarbons \*  
 \* in Water and Soil \*  
 \*  
 \* Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR \*  
 \* Analysis Report \*  
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\* Sample identification  
 946553

\* Initial mass of sample, g  
 1.980

\* Volume of sample after extraction, ml  
 28.000

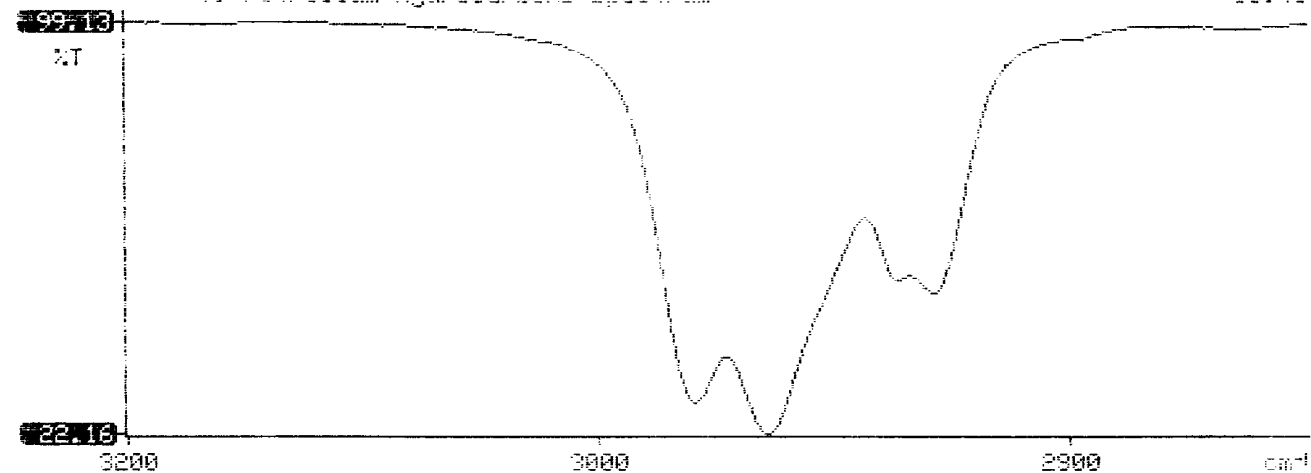
\* Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm  
 5291.051

\* Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm<sup>-1</sup>)  
 0.649

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Y: Petroleum hydrocarbons spectrum

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# BTEX SOIL SAMPLE WORKSHEET

File	:	946558A	Date Printed	:	1/16/95
Soil Mass (g)	:	4.95	Multiplier (L/g)	:	0.00101
Extraction vol. (mL)	:	20	DF (Analytical)	:	266.667
Shot Volume (uL)	:	75	DF (Report)	:	0.26936

			Det. Limit
Benzene (ug/L)	:	22.51	Benzene (mg/Kg): 6.063 1.347
Toluene (ug/L)	:	211.38	Toluene (mg/Kg): 56.937 1.347
Ethylbenzene (ug/L)	:	99.78	Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg): 26.877 1.347
p & m-xylene (ug/L)	:	595.12	p & m-xylene (mg/Kg): 160.302 2.694
o-xylene (ug/L)	:	274.82	o-xylene (mg/Kg): 74.026 1.347
			Total xylenes (mg/Kg): 234.327 4.040
			Total BTEX (mg/Kg): 324.205

**EL PASO NATURAL GAS****EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS**

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 Method : C:\LABQUEST\METHODS\SOILS.MET  
 Sample ID : 946558,4.95G/75uL  
 Acquired : Jan 13, 1995 00:39:14  
 Printed : Jan 13, 1995 01:05:28  
 User : Tony

## Channel A Results

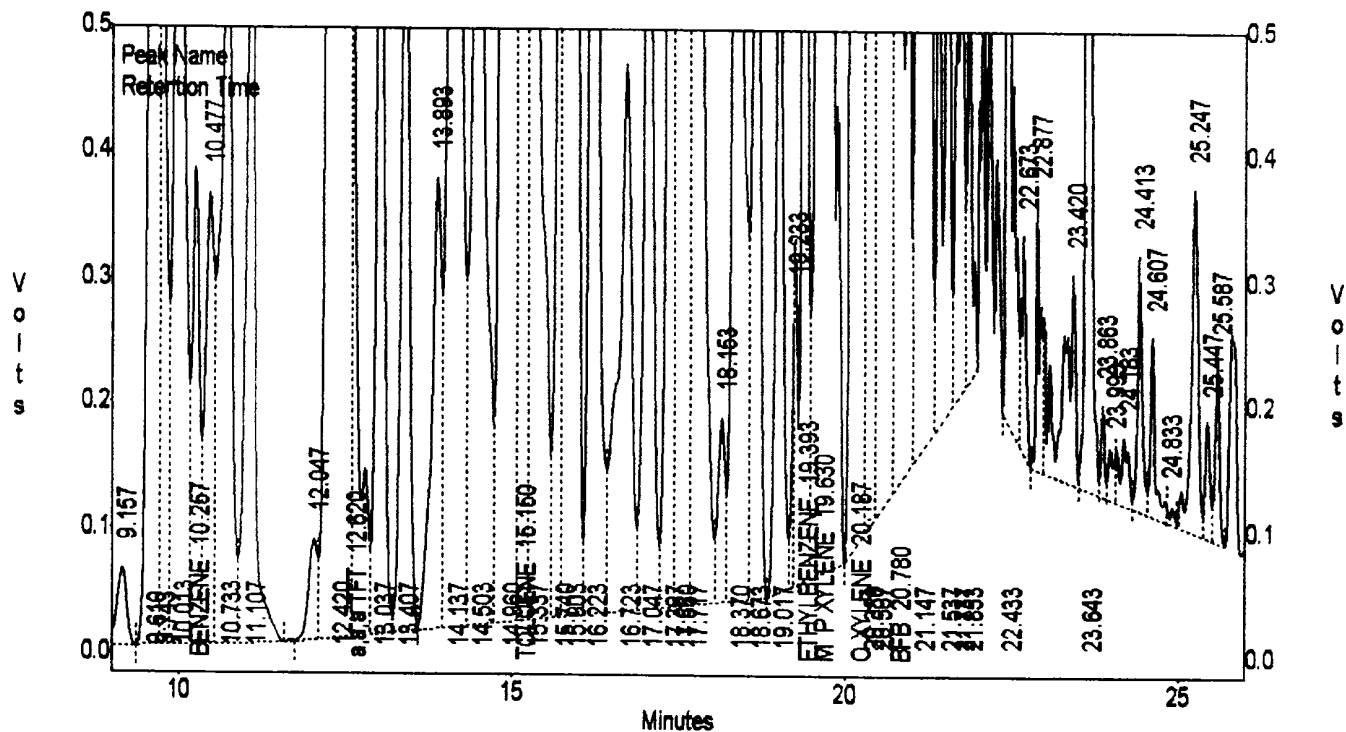
COMPONENT	RET TIME	AREA	AVG RF	CONC (ug/L)
BENZENE	10.257	2995010	139592.09375	22.5149
a,a,a TFT	12.620	3531560	6372.49561	479.0377
TOLUENE	15.150	28210506	169100.54688	211.3751
ETHYLBENZENE	19.393	11770427	129068.31250	99.7848
M & P XYLENE	19.630	79014184	178734.17188	595.1165
O XYLENE	20.187	30275404	127976.28906	274.8220
BFB	20.780	32549216	232900.28125	138.4324

Totals :

188346304

1821.0835

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# EL PASO NATURAL GAS

## EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS

File : C:\LABQUEST\CHROM\946558A  
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 Sample ID : 946558.4.95G/75uL  
 Acquired : Jan 13, 1995 00:39:14  
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 User : Tony

### Channel B Results

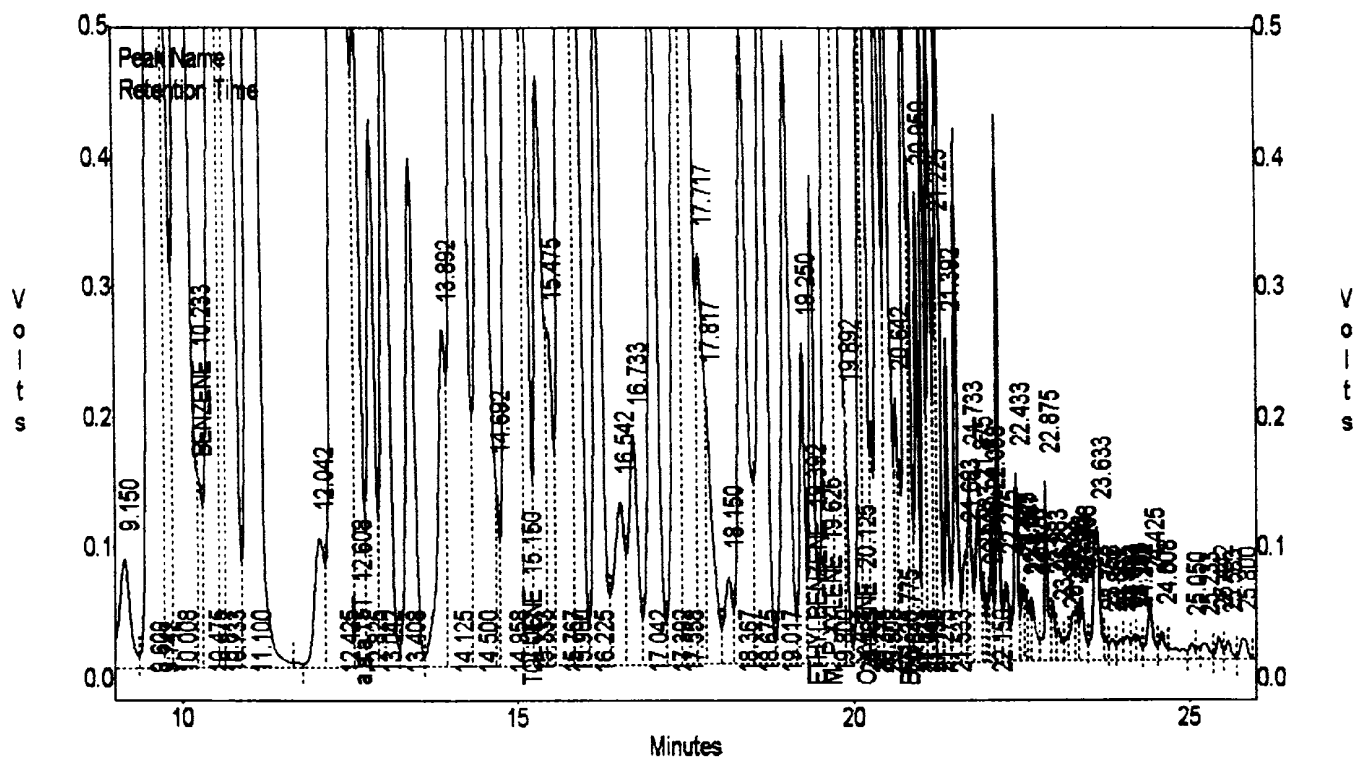
COMPONENT	RET TIME	AREA	AVG RF	CONC (ug/L)
BENZENE	10.233	681175	20735.91406	33.6028
a,a,a TFT	12.608	3531972	1914.54138	1751.0477
TOLUENE	15.150	4106700	21257.20508	204.5912
ETHYLBENZENE	19.392	1893390	19772.41406	98.8614
M & P XYLENE	19.625	11932246	20137.20898	602.1283
O XYLENE	20.125	2206670	19526.79688	116.7437
BFB	20.775	4493994	25983.21484	170.8183

Totals :

28846148

2977.7935

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# PHASE II

# RECORD OF SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION

Philip Environmental Services Corp.

4000 Monroe Road

Farmington, New Mexico 87401

(505) 326-2262 FAX (505) 326-2388

Borehole #

Well #

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Project Name

Project Number

Project Location

EPNG Pits

14509

Rincon Unit # 154, 73319

Phase

60+ 6000

Elevation

Borehole Location T27, R6, S.30, 0

GWL Depth

Logged By S.Kelly

Drilled By

Date/Time Started 9/19/95, 1130

Date/Time Completed 9/19/95, 1335

Well Logged By

S.Kelly

Personnel On-Site

M. Donohue, C. Millican

Contractors On-Site

Client Personnel On-Site

Drilling Method

4 1/4" ID HSA

Air Monitoring Method

CGI, PID

Depth (Feet)	Sample Number	Sample Interval	Sample Type & Recovery (Inches)	Sample Description Classification System: USCS	USCS Symbol	Depth Lithology Change (feet)	Air Monitoring Units: NDU			Drilling Conditions & Blow Counts
							BZ	GH	S	
0				Backfill						
5				to 12'						
10										Drilling gets hard at 10'
15										Drilling is very slow.
20	1	18-20	No Rec.							
25	2	23-25	5' / 20'	clayey SILT, reddish brown, 5-20% clay, dense, dry.		27				211 / 598 1204
30	3	28-30	16' / 20'	clayey SILT, grey, 5-20% clay, dense, dry						80 / 622 1217
35	4	33-35	5' / 20'	SAA						100 / 297 1230
40				TOB- 35.0' Auger refusal at 33' Drove split spoon to 35'						

Comments:

33'-35' sample (SEK 88) sent to lab. BH grouted to surface.

Geologist Signature

Shank Kelly



FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY  
ANALYTICAL REPORT

PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Inside the GWV Zone

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	SEK88	947495
MTR CODE   SITE NAME:	73319	Rinson Unit #154
SAMPLE DATE   TIME (Hrs):	9-19-95	1230
PROJECT:	Phase II Drilling #	
DATE OF TPH EXT.   ANAL:	9-20-95	
DATE OF BTEX EXT.   ANAL:	9/20/95	9/22/95
TYPE   DESCRIPTION:	V6	Grey Sand and Sandstone

Field Remarks:

RESULTS

PARAMETER	RESULT	UNITS	QUALIFIERS			
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)
BENZENE	< 0.5	MG/KG				
TOLUENE	< 0.5	MG/KG				
ETHYL BENZENE	< 0.5	MG/KG				
TOTAL XYLENES	< 1.5	MG/KG				
TOTAL BTEX	< 3	MG/KG				
TPH (418.1)	74.3	MG/KG			1.96	28
HEADSPACE PID	297	PPM				
PERCENT SOLIDS	95.1	%				

-- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 --

The Surrogate Recovery was at 98% for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.  
Narrative:

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By: JR

Date: 9-26-95

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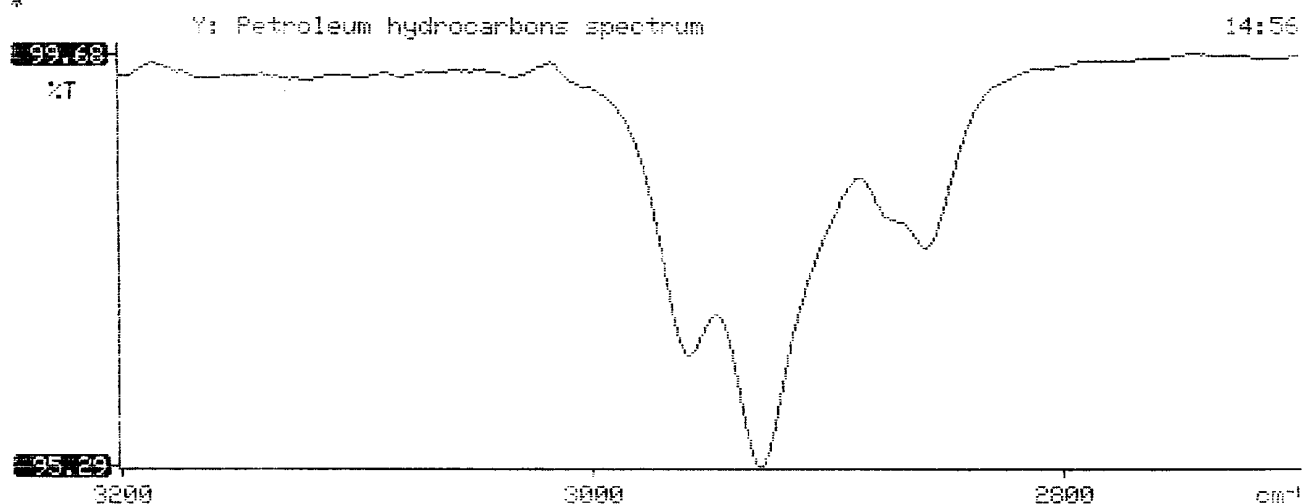
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*      Test Method for          *
*      Oil and Grease and Petroleum Hydrocarbons      *
*      in Water and Soil       *
*                               *
*      Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR                  *
*      Analysis Report                               *
*                               *
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* 95/09/20 14:56
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* Sample identification
* 947495
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* Initial mass of sample, g
* 1.960
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* Volume of sample after extraction, ml
* 28.000
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* Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm
* 74.324
* Net absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm-1)
* 0.019
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## BTEX SOIL SAMPLE WORKSHEET

File	:	947495	Date Printed	:	9/25/95
Soil Mass (g)	:	5.05	Multiplier (L/g)	:	0.00099
Extraction vol. (mL)	:	10	DF (Analytical)	:	200
Shot Volume (uL)	:	50	DF (Report)	:	0.19802

				Det. Limit
Benzene (ug/L)	:	0.00	Benzene (mg/Kg):	0.000 0.495
Toluene (ug/L)	:	0.86	Toluene (mg/Kg):	0.170 0.495
Ethylbenzene (ug/L)	:	0.57	Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg):	0.113 0.495
p & m-xylene (ug/L)	:	3.67	p & m-xylene (mg/Kg):	0.727 0.990
o-xylene (ug/L)	:	0.56	o-xylene (mg/Kg):	0.111 0.495
			Total xylenes (mg/Kg):	0.838 1.485
			Total BTEX (mg/Kg):	1.121

# EL PASO NATURAL GAS

## EPA METHOD 8020 - BTEX SOILS

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 Sample ID : 947495,5.05G,50U  
 Acquired : Sep 22, 1995 13:01:00  
 Printed : Sep 22, 1995 13:31:27  
 User : MARLON

### Channel A Results

COMPONENT	RET TIME	AREA	CONC (ug/L)
BENZENE	8.140	0	0.0000
a,a,a-TFT	10.433	8229454	94.0662
TOLUENE	12.850	313207	0.8606
ETHYLBENZENE	17.237	191389	0.5685
M,P-XYLENES	17.580	1473685	3.6733
O-XYLENE	18.763	181954	0.5557
BFB	19.857	53219888	97.6367

