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**PIT REMEDIATION AND CLOSURE REPORT**

**OIL CON. DIV.**  
**DIST. 3**

**Operator:** Phillips Petroleum (Williams Field Services) **Telephone:** (801) 584-6361  
**Address:** P.O. Box 58900, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900  
**WellName:** SJ 29-6 UNIT #45A ( 86949 )  
**Location:** Unit or Qtr/Qtr Sec I Sec 27 T 29N R 6W County Rio Arriba  
**PitType:** Dehydrator  
**LandType:** Fee

**Pit Location:** Pit dimensions: length 16ft., width 14ft., depth 7ft.  
(Attach diagram)

Reference: Wellhead

Footage from reference: 60 ft.

Direction from reference: 0 Degrees North

**Depth To Ground Water:**

(Vertical distance from  
contaminants to seasonal  
high water elevation of  
ground water)

Less than 50 feet	(20 points)
50 feet to 99 feet	(10 points)
Greater than 100 feet	(0 points) <u>20</u>

**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	(0 points) <u>0</u>

**Distance To Surface Water:**

(Horizontal distance to perennial  
lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, creeks, irrigation  
canals and ditches)

Less than 200 feet	(20 points)
200 feet to 1,000 feet	(10 points) <u>20</u>

**Ranking Score (TOTAL POINTS):** 40

Date Remediation Started: 11/13/96

Date Completed: 12/21/96

Remediation Method: Excavation ☒

Approx. Cubic Yard 70

(check all appropriate sections)

Landfarmed ☒Insitu Bioremediation ☐

Other Stockpiled soil after mechanical aeration.

Remediation Location: Onsite ☒ Offsite

(ie. landfarmed onsite, name and location of offsite facility)

## General Description Of Remedial Action:

The pit was excavated to remove gross petroleum contamination. The excavated material was mechanically aerated and placed into an onsite landfarm. Returned to site 4/6/99 and utilized hydraulic probe to collect sample at 21-23'. TPH: 257 BTEX: 36.6

Ground Water Encountered: No

Final Pit:

Sample location SJ 29-6 #45A-V-EX-01

Closure Sampling:

(if multiple samples, attach sample results and diagram of sample locations and depths)

A composite sample, made up of 4 points from each excavation face, was collected..

Sample depth Up to 7 feet.

Sample date 11/16/96

Sample time 8:00

Sample Result

Benzene (ppm) &lt;0.77

Total BTEX (ppm) 68.3

Field Headspace (ppm)

TPH (ppm) 165

Ground Water Sample: No

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

DATE 9-20-99

SIGNATURE  FOR WFS

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

MARK HARVEY  
PROJECT COORDINATOR



Environmental Services  
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### **Pit Closure and Retirement Addendum- Risk Assessment**

The sample analyzed for confirmation at this site exhibited slightly elevated levels of xylene. Xylene toxicity information indicates that such low levels (<200 ppm) pose very low risk to human health and the environment. This conclusion is based in part on the information below:

#### **Toxicity Information**

Xylene is a colorless liquid with a strong, sweetish aromatic odor. Studies have indicated that it is neither a carcinogen or mutagen. Bio-accumulation of xylene is limited due to the fact that it is rapidly metabolized and eliminated from the body in urine within a few hours. Rats and dogs exposed to xylene vapor for 13 weeks at 180 - 810 ppm showed no adverse effects related to dose or treatment. (1)

#### **Environmental Effects**

Xylene released to soil will volatilize and leach into the ground where it will degrade 70% under aerobic conditions in approximately 10 days or under anaerobic (six months before degradation starts) denitrifying conditions.(2) If released to surface water, the half life of xylene is approximately 1-5 days with the main attenuation process being volatilization.

When released to the atmosphere, xylene may degrade by reactions with hydroxyl radicals which are produced photochemically. As a result of this reaction, xylene has been determined to have a half life of 1.5 hours in summer and 15 hours in winter.(2)

EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, has evaluated mixed xylenes for chronic toxicity in order to determine a hazard ranking under Section 112(g) of the Clean Air Act Amendments and assigned a composite score of 8. The scores are based on the minimal effect-dose and a rating on the type of effect. Scores range from 1 to 100, with 100 representing the most toxic. (3)

Based on an evaluation of topography, this site is believed to have ground water greater than 75' below ground surface. Due to the immobility of xylene through soil and a lack of continuous transporting mechanisms, it is very likely that the residual xylene remaining in the pit will degrade in the short term under existing conditions, or certainly during the life of the producing well. Granular fertilizer has been added to the soil in order to facilitate further degradation. Observations and data collected from other sites suggests that the concentration of xylene would diminish vertically and likely be less than 10 ppm within the next 1-5 feet of soil depth.

**Since there are no nearby receptors or domestic water sources, this site poses little risk to human health and the environment. Closure is justified based on the relatively low total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH) concentration and the fact that benzene, toluene, and ethylbenzene meet applicable closure criteria.**

(1) Canadian Department of Occupational Health and Database, CCINFO Xylene 1991.

(2) *Handbook of Environmental Fate and Exposure Data for Organic Chemicals*, Vol 1, Large Production and Priority Pollutants, Philip H. Howard. Lewis Pub. 1989.

(3) USEPA. *Technical Background Document to Support Rulemaking Pursuant to the Clean air Act Section 112(g). Ranking of Pollutants with Respect to Hazard to Human Health*. EPAB450/3-92-010. Emissions Standards Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Research Triangle Park, NC. 1994.

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# PIT RETIREMENT FORM

Date: 11-13-96

Weather 50° SUNNY

Well Name SJ 29-6 #45A Operator PHILLIPS PETROLEUM Sec 27 T29N R 6W UL 1650 FSL 290 FSL

Land Type: BLM STATE (FEE) INDIAN County RIO ARKIBA

One Call Made (505-765-1234)? (Y) N

Line Marking Evident? (Y) N

## Pit Location:

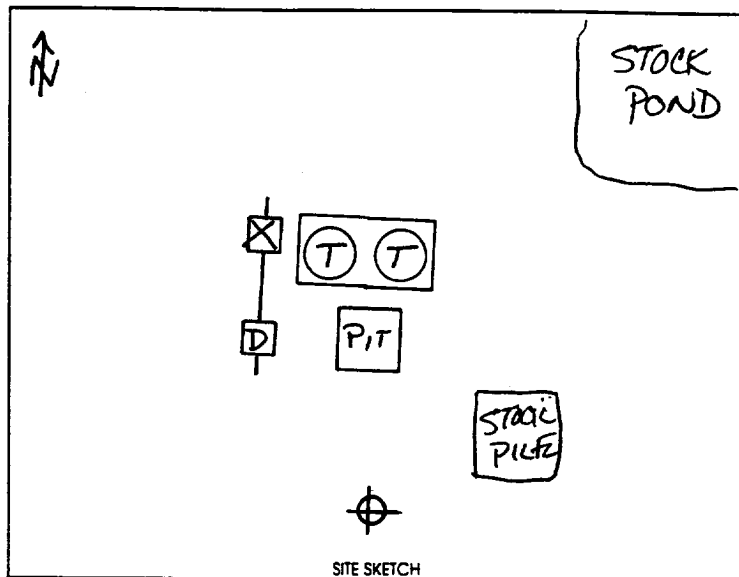
Reference Wellhead X Other \_\_\_\_\_

Distance from: 100'

Direction: 0° Degrees \_\_\_\_\_ E N X  
\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ W S \_\_\_\_\_

Starting Pit Dimensions 10' x 10' x 2'

Final Pit Dimensions 16' x 14' x 7'



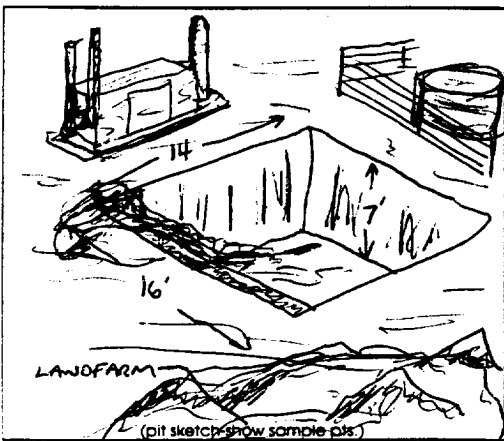
Organic Vapor Readings: Start \_\_\_\_\_ Soil Description: BROWN SILTY CLAY  
@ 2' \_\_\_\_\_ DARK BROWN CLAY  
@ 4' \_\_\_\_\_ 11 11 11  
@ 6' \_\_\_\_\_ 11 11 11  
@ 8' \_\_\_\_\_  
@ \_\_\_\_\_  
@ \_\_\_\_\_

Well Proximity To: Residence, Domestic Water Well, Stock Well STOCK TANK ~ 150 feet  
Arroyo, Wash, Lake, Stream STOCK POND 250' NE OF PIT  
Estimated or Known Distance to Ground Water \_\_\_\_\_

Source of Backfill (if other than processed material) \_\_\_\_\_

Samples collected: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Progress: Verification: ID SJ 29-6 #45A-V-EX-01 (SOIL) / water  
Progress: Verification: ID SJ 29-6 #45A-V-LF-01 (SOIL) / water  
Progress: Verification: ID \_\_\_\_\_ soil / water

Sample sent to Lab Via: Courier Hand Carried Other \_\_\_\_\_ Preservative: (ICE) Other \_\_\_\_\_



Comments: SET UP + MIX SOIL — SOIL VERY MOIST NEAR SURFACE —  
HIGH CLAY + MOISTURE CONTENT SLOWS SHREDDING — SHALLOW  
STOCK POND NE OF LOCATION — DOWNGRADE BERM FORMED BY SITE  
ACCESS ROAD — THIS LOCATION ~ 250' OFF HWY 64 — COULD NOT  
EXCAVATE FURTHER ON TWO SIDES DUE TO DEPTH + FENCING —

Soil Shipped to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_



## Organic Analysis - Pit Closure

### Williams Field Services

Project ID: OCD Pits  
Sample ID: SJ 29-6 #45A-V-EX-01  
Lab ID: 5684  
Sample Matrix: Soil  
Preservative: Cool  
Condition: Intact

Report Date: 11/22/96  
Date Sampled: 11/16/96  
Date Received: 11/18/96  
Date Extracted: 11/19/96  
Date Analyzed: 11/20/96

Target Analyte	Concentration (mg/kg)	Detection Limit (mg/kg)
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#### Total Aromatic Hydrocarbons

68.3

Benzene	ND	0.77
Toluene	7.57	0.77
Ethylbenzene	3.01	0.77
m,p-Xylenes	45.4	1.54
o-Xylene	12.3	0.77

#### Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons

165


24.2

Quality Control:	<u>Surrogate</u>	<u>Percent Recovery</u>	<u>Acceptance Limits</u>
	Trifluorotoluene	87	81 - 117%
	Bromofluorobenzene	120	74 - 121%

**Reference:** Method 5030, Purge and Trap; Method 8020, Aromatic Volatile Organics;  
Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Wastes, SW-846, United States  
Environmental Protection Agency, Final Update I, July, 1992.

Method 3550 - Sonication Extraction; Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste,  
SW-846, United States Environmental Protection Agency, September, 1986;  
Method 418.1 - Petroleum Hydrocarbons, Total Recoverable; Chemical Analysis of  
Water and Waste, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 1978.

#### Comments:

  
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## Organic Analysis - Pit Closure

### Williams Field Services

Project ID:	OCD Pits	Report Date:	12/18/96
Sample ID:	SJ 29-6 #45A V-LF-02	Date Sampled:	12/16/96
Lab ID:	5980	Date Received:	12/16/96
Sample Matrix:	Soil	Date Extracted:	12/17/96
Preservative:	Cool	Date Analyzed:	12/17/96
Condition:	Intact		

Target Analyte	Concentration (mg/kg)	Detection Limit (mg/kg)
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<b>Total Aromatic Hydrocarbons</b>	<b>5.51</b>	
Benzene	ND	0.77
Toluene	ND	0.77
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.77
m,p-Xylenes	4.70	1.53
o-Xylene	0.82	0.77


<b>Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons</b>	<b>ND</b>	<b>25.2</b>
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<b>Quality Control:</b>	<u>Surrogate</u>	<u>Percent Recovery</u>	<u>Acceptance Limits</u>
	Trifluorotoluene	101	81 - 117%
	Bromofluorobenzene	100	74 - 121%

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**Comments:**

  
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Q W A L L A B O R A T O R I E S, I N C.

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LABORATORY REPORT:

REFERENCE #: 9904322

SENT WILLIAMS FIELD SERVICE  
TO: 295 CHIPETA WAY  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84158  
MARK HARVEY  
PROJECT: NM PITS

DATE REPORTED: 04/19/99  
DATE COLLECTED: 04/06/99  
DATE RECEIVED: 04/09/99

Reference Fraction: 9904322-12A  
Sample ID: SJ29-6 #45A @21-23/86949  
Sample Date Collected: 04/06/99 14:00:00

Sample Matrix: SOIL

TEST	METHOD	RESULT	UNITS	DL	ANALYZED	BY
TPH	SW846-8015	257	MG/KG	20	04/19/99	KKL
BTEX	SW846 8021			3.0		
BENZENE		ND	MG/KG	0.050	04/16/99	JDH
TOLUENE		6.73	MG/KG	0.050	04/16/99	JDH
ETHYLBENZENE		ND	MG/KG	0.050	04/16/99	JDH
TOTAL XYLENES		29.9	MG/KG	0.050	04/16/99	JDH
BFB (SURROGATE)		96	125	75		

ND=NONE DETECTED  
DL=DETECTION LIMIT  
SU=STANDARD UNITS  
B=DETECTED IN METHOD BLANK

APPROVED BY:

  
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LABORATORY DIRECTOR

PROBE SAMPLE