

**Meter Number:95286**  
**Location Name:FLORANCE 7A FT**  
**Location:TN-30 RG-09**  
**SC-23 UL-F**  
**2 - Federal**  
**NMOCD Zone:OUTSIDE**  
**Hazard Ranking Score:00**

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**RATIONALE FOR RISK-BASED CLOSURE OF PRODUCTION PITS  
LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE VULNERABLE ZONE  
IN THE SAN JUAN BASIN**

This production pit location was ranked according to the criteria in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's Unlined Surface Impoundment Closure Guidelines and received a ranking score of zero. The estimated depth to groundwater is greater than 100-feet beneath ground surface (bgs), the pit is not in a well head protection area, and there are no surface water bodies within 1,000 horizontal feet of the pit location.

The primary source, discharge to the pit has been removed. There has been no discharge to the pits for at least 4 years and the pits have been closed for at least one year.

Each pit was backfilled with clean soil and graded in a manner to divert precipitation away from the excavated area. Minimal infiltration of rainfall is expected. Any rainfall that does infiltrate the ground surface must migrate through clean backfill before reaching the residual hydrocarbons.

There is no source material at the ground surface, so direct contact of hydrocarbons with livestock and the populous is not likely.

In general, outside of the vulnerable area and alluvial valleys, bedrock material is generally encountered within 20 feet of the ground surface. Bedrock material in the San Juan Basin consists of interbedded sandstones, shales and clays. According to Freeze and Cherry, 1979, the hydraulic conductivity of the bedrock material are as follows:

Sandstone	$10^{-9}$ to $10^{-13}$ cm/sec
Shale	$10^{-12}$ to $10^{-16}$ cm/sec
Clay	$10^{-12}$ to $10^{-15}$ cm/sec

Based on this information, the residual hydrocarbons should not migrate to groundwater.

Natural process (bioremediation) are degrading the residual hydrocarbon to carbon dioxide and water and will continue until the source is gone, therefore minimizing any impact to the environment.

Based on the above information, it is highly unlikely that any source material will impact groundwater or ever find an exposure pathway to affect human health and therefore El Paso Field Services Company (EPFS) requests closure of this pit location.

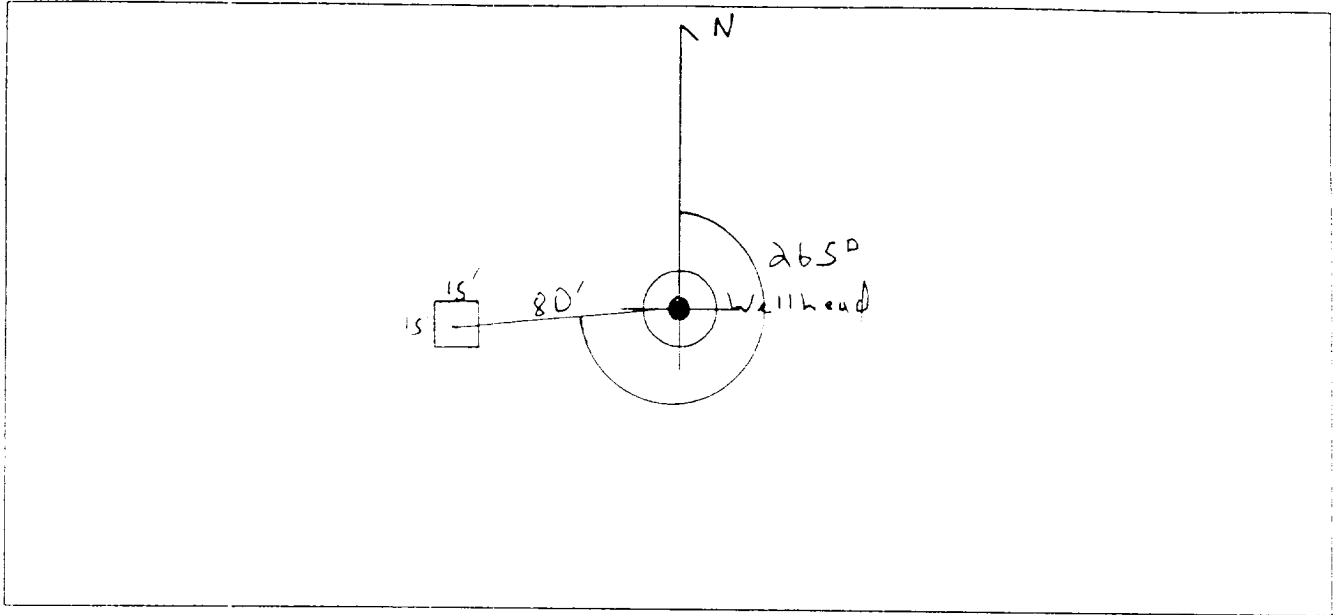
### FIELD PIT SITE ASSESSMENT FORM

GENERAL	<p>Meter: <u>95286</u> Location: <u>Florence 7A FT</u></p> <p>Operator #: <u>0203</u> Operator Name: <u>Ameco</u> P/L District: <u>Bloomfield</u></p> <p>Coordinates: Letter: <u>F</u> Section <u>23</u> Township: <u>30</u> Range: <u>9</u></p> <p>Or Latitude _____ Longitude _____</p> <p>Pit Type: Dehydrator _____ Location Drip: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Line Drip: _____ Other: _____</p> <p>Site Assessment Date: <u>1/16/95</u> Area: <u>10</u> Run: <u>33</u></p>
	SITE ASSESSMENT
REMARKS	

### ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION

Original Pit : a) Degrees from North 265° Footage from Wellhead 80'  
b) Length : 15' Width : 15' Depth : 3'

ORIGINAL PIT LOCATION



Remarks :

Pictures @ 1454 hr 6-10 rd113

REMARKS

Completed By:

Cory Chase  
Signature

1/16/95  
Date

# FIELD PIT REMEDIATION/CLOSURE FORM

<b>GENERAL</b>	Meter: <u>95286</u> Location: <u>Florence #7A</u> Coordinates: Letter: <u>E</u> Section <u>23</u> Township: <u>30</u> Range: <u>9</u> Or Latitude _____ Longitude _____ Date Started : <u>2-13-95</u> Run: <u>10</u> <u>33</u>
<b>FIELD OBSERVATIONS</b>	Sample Number(s): <u>MK 382</u> Sample Depth: <u>5</u> Feet Final PID Reading <u>466</u> PPM PID Reading Depth <u>5</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 type="checkbox"/> Approx. Cubic Yards _____  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> </div> Soil Disposition: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>           Envirotech <input type="checkbox"/>            Other Facility <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Tierra            Name: _____         </div> </div> Pit Closure Date: <u>2-13-95</u> Pit Closed By: <u>BEI</u>
<b>REMARKS</b>	Remarks : <u>Arrive dug sample hole hit rock 5'</u> <u>soil was black and had strong Hydrocarbon odor</u>
	Signature of Specialist: <u>Morgan Killian</u>



**FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY  
ANALYTICAL REPORT**

**PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil Samples Outside the GWV Zone**

**SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION**

SAMPLE NUMBER:

Field ID

Lab ID

MTR CODE | SITE NAME:

SAMPLE DATE | TIME (Hrs):

SAMPLED BY:

DATE OF TPH EXT. | ANAL.:

DATE OF BTEX EXT. | ANAL.:

TYPE | DESCRIPTION:

mk 382

95286

2-13-95

N/A

2/17/95

N/A

VG

926675

N/A

1215

2/17/95

N/A

Black sand and clay

REMARKS:

TPH done at ATI

**RESULTS**

PARAMETER	RESULT	UNITS	QUALIFIERS			
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)
TPH (418.1)	5100	MG/KG				
HEADSPACE PID	466	PPM				
PERCENT SOLIDS	81.8	%				

-- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 --

Narrative:

ATI Results attached

DF = Dilution Factor Used

Approved By:

Date:

3-20-95



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### GENERAL CHEMISTRY RESULTS

CLIENT : EL PASO NATURAL GAS CO. ATI I.D. : 502381  
PROJECT # : 24324 DATE RECEIVED : 02/17/95  
PROJECT NAME : PIT CLOSURE DATE ANALYZED : 02/17/95

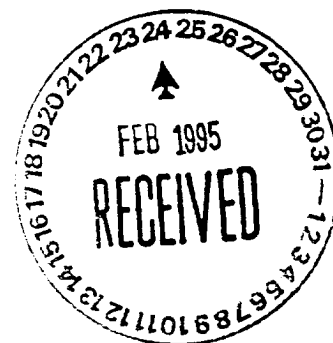
PARAMETER	UNITS	17	18	19	20
PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS, IR	MG/KG	550	5100	<20	1200

946675



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February 23, 1995

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Project Name/Number: PIT CLOSURE 24324

Attention: John Lambdin

On 02/17/95, Analytical Technologies, Inc., (ADHS License No. AZ0015), received a request to analyze **non-aqueous** samples. The samples were analyzed with EPA methodology or equivalent methods. The results of these analyses and the quality control data, which follow each set of analyses, are enclosed.

EPA Method 8020 analyses were added on February 21, 1995 for samples 946659, 946660, 946661, 946662, 946663, 946664, 946666, 946667, 946668, 946669, 946680, 946682 per John Lambdin.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at (505) 344-3777.

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Enclosure