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Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD

From: Katie Jones <kjones@riceswd.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:55 AM
To: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD
Cc: Hack Conder; Laura Pena; Lara Weinheimer
Subject: ROC - Hobbs M-4 vent (1R428-76) CAP Addendum

Mr. Hansen,

ROC proposes the following as an Addendum to the Hobbs M-4 vent (1R428-76) Corrective Action Plan (CAP), submitted to the NMOCD on August 7, 2013. Page 2, Section Corrective Action Plan: text in blue lettering, below, will be added to the paragraph. Red lettering marked with a strike-through will be deleted.

“Corrective Action Plan

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Monitoring of the near-source well (MW-1) has shown chloride concentrations consistently near or below 250 mg/L. The two most recent quarterly samples resulted in a concentration of 172 mg/L and 188 mg/L, respectively. Based on these recent samples, ROC proposes to continue monitoring MW-1 for two additional quarters to determine if concentrations will remain below WQCC standards. After the two quarters are obtained, ROC will submit a report with recommendations. ~~In order to determine if there is an up-gradient groundwater source for contamination at the site, RECS recommends that ROC install a monitor well (MW-2) approximately 100 ft up gradient of the site (Figure 2). The monitor well will be sampled quarterly in conjunction with MW-1. Once the monitor wells at the site have been analyzed for chloride and TPH readings, ROC will either submit a groundwater remedy to NMOCD to address groundwater quality at the site or submit a ‘remediation termination’ request for site closure.”~~

If you need any further information, please let me or Hack know.

Thank you.

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August 7th, 2013

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**RE: Corrective Action Plan (CAP)
Rice Operating Company – Hobbs SWD System
Hobbs M-4 vent (1R428-76): UL/M sec. 4 T19S R38E**

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Mr. Hansen:

RICE Operating Company (ROC) has retained Rice Environmental Consulting and Safety (RECS) to address potential environmental concerns at the above-referenced site in the abandoned Hobbs Salt Water Disposal (SWD) system. ROC is the service provider (agent) for the abandoned Hobbs SWD System and has no ownership of any portion of the pipeline, well, or facility. The system is owned by a consortium of oil producers, System Parties, who provide all operating capital on a percentage ownership/usage basis.

Background and Previous Work

The site is located in Hobbs, New Mexico at UL/M sec. 4 T19S R38E as shown on the Site Location Map (Figure 1). Groundwater monitoring shows groundwater to be located at a depth of 31 feet.

An Investigation and Characterization Plan (ICP) was submitted to NMOCD on April 13th, 2007 and approved on August 6th, 2007. As part of the ICP, ROC initiated work on the Hobbs M-4 junction box, which contained a vent. A trench was installed at the site to the depth of 12 ft bgs on September 5th, 2007. The samples were field tested for chlorides and hydrocarbons. Chloride values throughout the trench were relatively low; although, the hydrocarbon levels were elevated. To further delineate the site, two soil bores were installed on February 19th and 21st, 2008. As the bores were advanced, samples were taken every 5 ft and field tested for chlorides and hydrocarbons. Representative samples from the soil bores were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. In SB-1, the laboratory chloride analysis showed values of 1,760 mg/kg at 15 ft bgs and 14.3 mg/kg at 25 ft bgs. In SB-2, laboratory chloride analysis showed values of 47.4 mg/kg at 15 ft bgs, 1,520 mg/kg at 20 ft bgs and 558 mg/kg at 25 ft bgs. BTEX and Naphthalene in both soil bores at all depths were low (Figure 2).

On February 19th, 2008, MW-1 was installed approximately 63 ft down-gradient of the site. As the well was being installed, samples were taken every 5 ft and field tested for chlorides and hydrocarbons. The field samples for both chlorides and hydrocarbons were low (Figure 2). Groundwater monitoring at the site has occurred quarterly since the monitor well was installed. Since that time, the chlorides and Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) have decreased to the point where the constituents are now below the WQCC standards of 250 mg/L for chlorides and 1,000 mg/L for TDS. During the last sampling event on June 24th, 2013, the chloride value in MW-1 was 188 mg/L and the TDS value was 735 mg/L (Appendix A). One elevated sampling event occurred on December 10th, 2012, with a chloride value of 316 mg/L and a TDS value of 1,210 mg/L (Figure 3). This elevated sampling event prompted the desire to take further actions to remediate the vadose zone and delineate groundwater through a Corrective Action Plan.

Corrective Action Plan

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RECS appreciates the opportunity to work with you on this project. Please call Hack Conder at (575) 393-2967 or me if you have any questions or wish to discuss the site.

Sincerely,



Lara Weinheimer
Project Scientist
RECS
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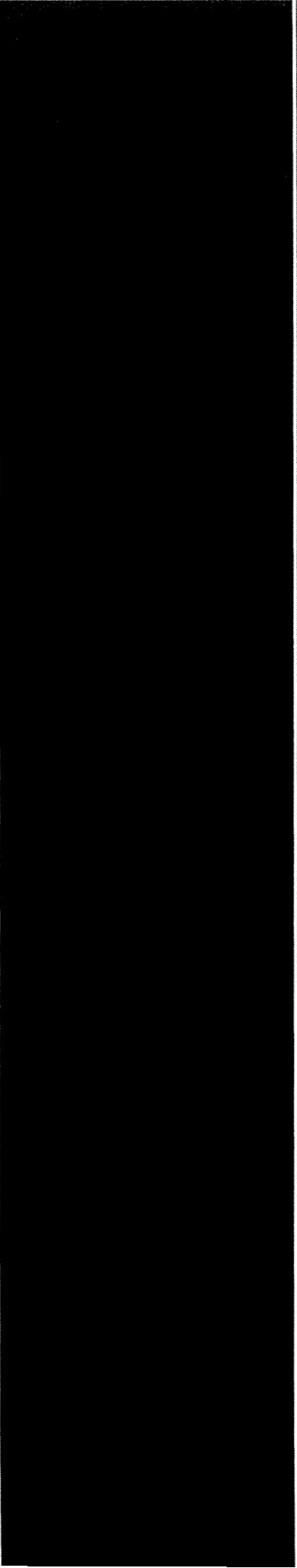
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Figure 1 – Site Location Map

Figure 2 – Soil Data, Proposed MW-2 and Proposed Liner

Figure 3 – MW Sampling Data

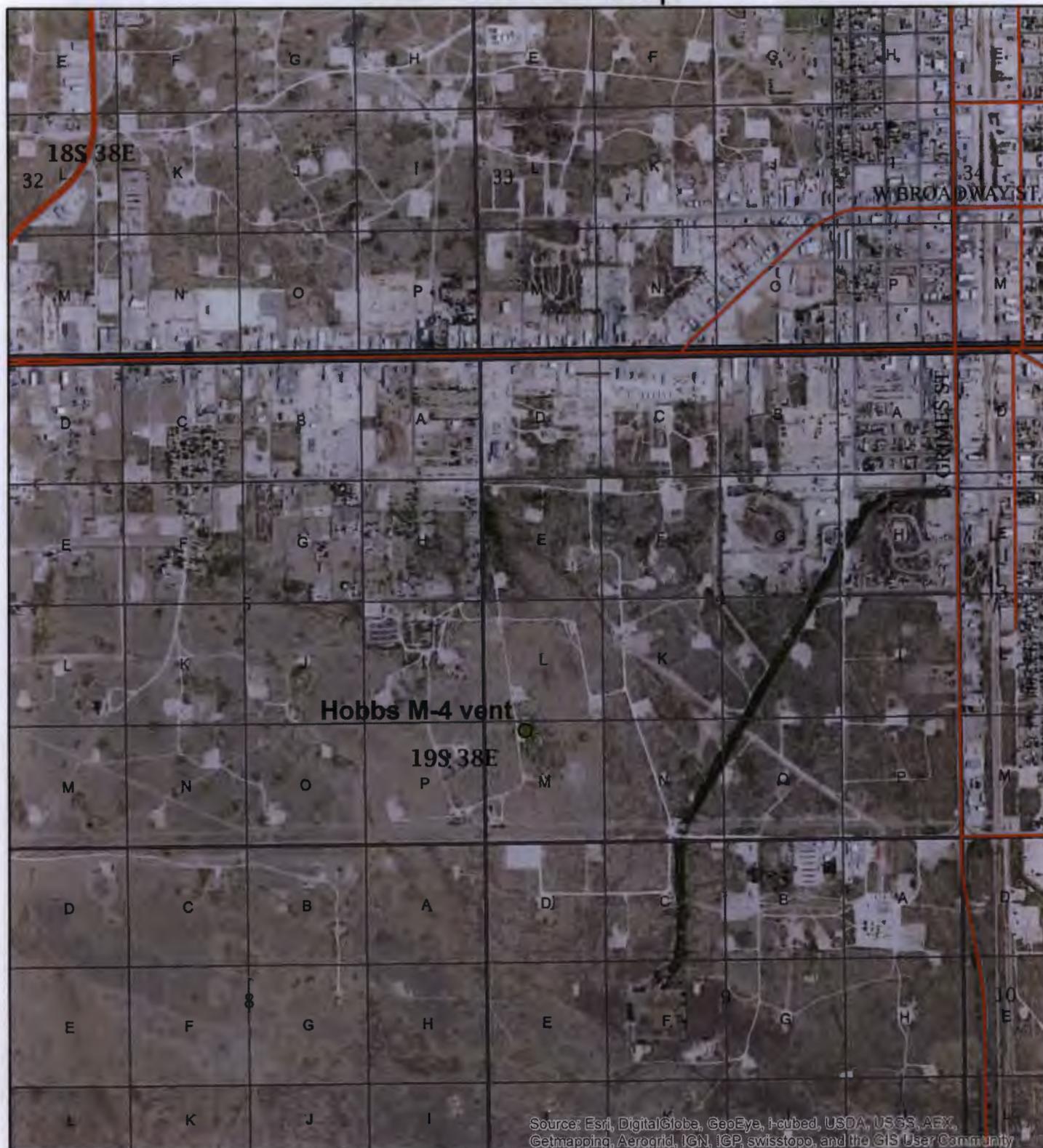
Appendix A – Monitor Well Sampling Lab



Figures

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Site Location Map



Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, i-cubed, USDA, USGS, AEX, Getmapping, Aerogrid, IGN, IGP, swisstopo, and the GIS User Community



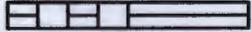
Hobbs M-4 vent

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Figure 1



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 Feet

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Soil Data, Proposed MW-2 and Proposed Liner

SB-1					
Depth	Cl-	PID	LAB	Cl-	BTEX Npth.
5	298	0.3			
10	605	51.8			
15	1151	1.4	1760	ND	ND
20	963	1.1			
25	209	1.2	14.3	ND	ND

SB-2									
Depth	Cl-	PID	LAB	Cl-	B	T	E	X	Npth.
15	198	123	47.4	ND	0.0084	0.0978	0.0901	0.245	
20	1168	44.7	1520	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	
25	700	32	558	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.083	

Source trench		
Depth	Cl-	PID
4	226	45
5	310	8
6	232	17
7	234	84
8	243	1588
9	266	1268
10	286	1340
11	286	1068
12	284	947

MW-1		
Depth	Cl-	PID
10	317	2.2
15	179	1.5
20	148	1.3
25	141	1.5



Legend

- ◆ MONITOR WELLS
- 32' x 63' PROPOSED REINFORCED POLY LINER @ 4-5' BGS

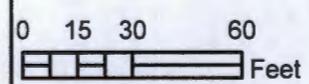
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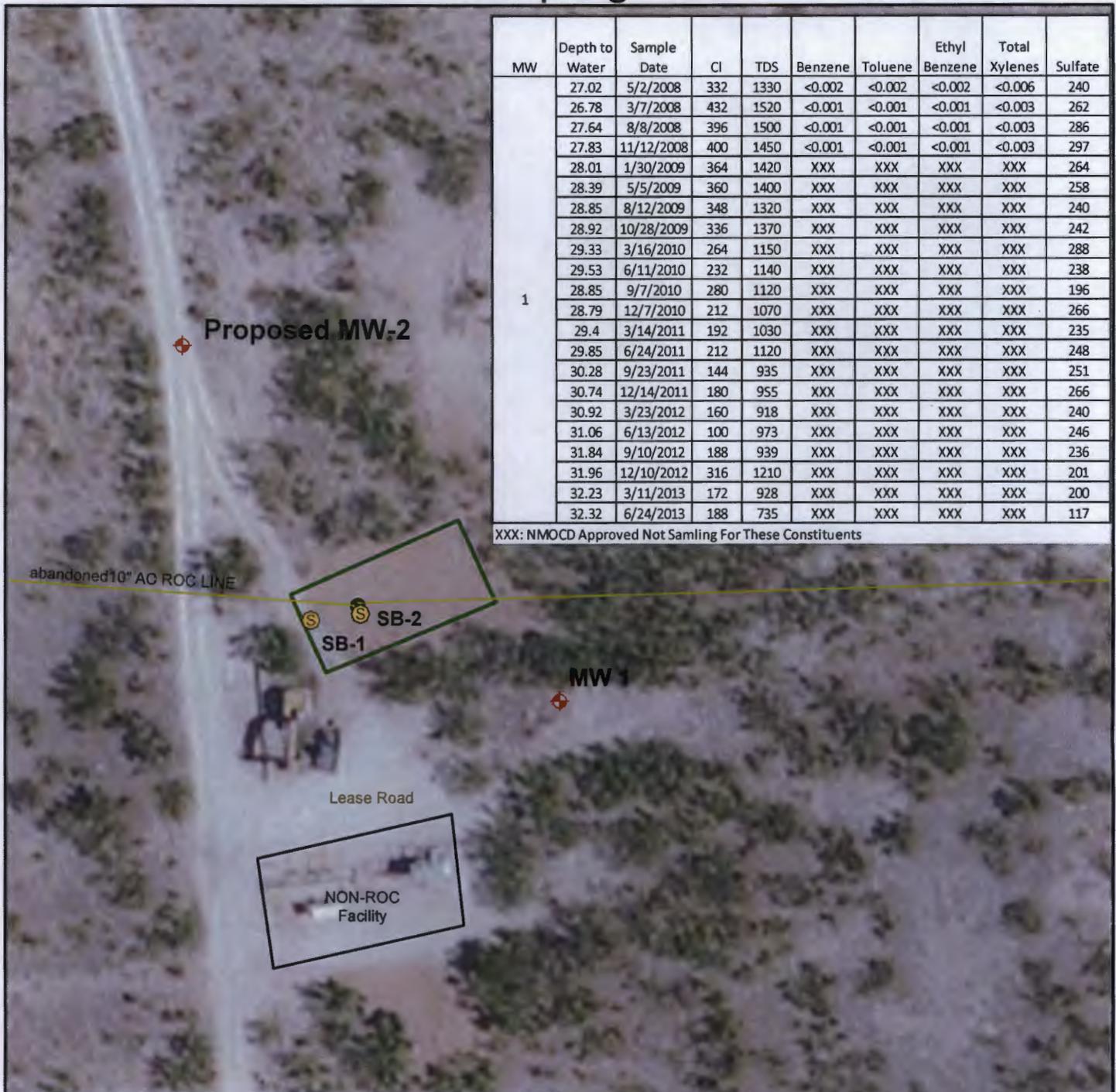
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Figure 2



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MW Sampling Data



MW	Depth to Water	Sample Date	Cl	TDS	Benzene	Toluene	Ethyl Benzene	Total Xylenes	Sulfate
1	27.02	5/2/2008	332	1330	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.006	240
	26.78	3/7/2008	432	1520	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.003	262
	27.64	8/8/2008	396	1500	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.003	286
	27.83	11/12/2008	400	1450	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.003	297
	28.01	1/30/2009	364	1420	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	264
	28.39	5/5/2009	360	1400	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	258
	28.85	8/12/2009	348	1320	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	240
	28.92	10/28/2009	336	1370	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	242
	29.33	3/16/2010	264	1150	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	288
	29.53	6/11/2010	232	1140	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	238
	28.85	9/7/2010	280	1120	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	196
	28.79	12/7/2010	212	1070	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	266
	29.4	3/14/2011	192	1030	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	235
	29.85	6/24/2011	212	1120	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	248
	30.28	9/23/2011	144	935	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	251
	30.74	12/14/2011	180	955	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	266
	30.92	3/23/2012	160	918	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	240
	31.06	6/13/2012	100	973	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	246
	31.84	9/10/2012	188	939	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	236
	31.96	12/10/2012	316	1210	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	201
32.23	3/11/2013	172	928	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	200	
32.32	6/24/2013	188	735	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	117	

XXX: NMOCD Approved Not Sampling For These Constituents

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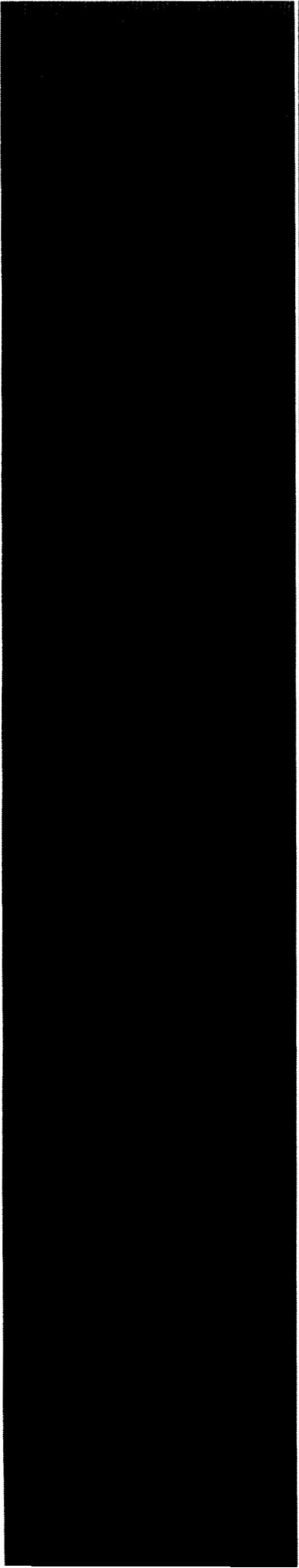
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Figure 3

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Appendix A

Monitor Well Sampling Lab

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July 05, 2013

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RE: HOBBS M-4 VENT

Enclosed are the results of analyses for samples received by the laboratory on 06/26/13 13:56.

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This report meets NELAP requirements and is made up of a cover page, analytical results, and a copy of the original chain-of-custody. If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Celey D. Keene".

Celey D. Keene
Lab Director/Quality Manager

Analytical Results For:

 Rice Operating Company
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Received:	06/26/2013	Sampling Date:	06/24/2013
Reported:	07/05/2013	Sampling Type:	Water
Project Name:	HOBBS M-4 VENT	Sampling Condition:	Cool & Intact
Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	T19S-R38E-SEC4 M-LEA CTY., NM		

Sample ID: MONITOR WELL #1 (H301509-01)

Chloride, SM4S00CI-B		mg/L		Analyzed By: DW						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride*	188	4.00	06/28/2013	ND	108	108	100	0.00		
Sulfate 375.4		mg/L		Analyzed By: AP						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Sulfate*	117	25.0	07/01/2013	ND	22.5	113	20.0	3.85		
TDS 160.1		mg/L		Analyzed By: AP						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
TDS*	735	5.00	06/28/2013	ND	246	102	240	0.530		

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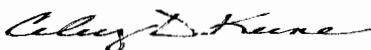
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- ND Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
- RPD Relative Percent Difference
- ** Samples not received at proper temperature of 6°C or below.
- *** Insufficient time to reach temperature.
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