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**Subject:** Soil Closure Approval (1R-459) - ROC BD K-4 Leak Site

**RE: Soil Closure Request  
for the Rice Operating Company's  
BD K-4 Leak Site  
Unit Letters K, Section 4, T22S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
Soil Closure Approval (1R-459)**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the Rice Operating Company's (ROC) Soil Closure Request for the Remediation Plan (1R-459) for the BD K-4 Leak Site, dated October 10, 2012. The above-referenced report, submitted in fulfillment of 19.15.29 NMAC (Rule 29, formally, Rule 116), indicates that Rice Operating Company (ROC) has partially met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC for this site. Therefore, the OCD hereby conditionally approves the soil closure for the BD K-4 Leak Site and no further soil remediation is required for this site:

The ROC BD K-4 Leak Site is still active under Remediation Plan, 1R-459, and groundwater monitoring, further groundwater contamination delineation if warranted, and groundwater remediation must continue at the ROC BD K-4 Leak Site.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this request does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility should operations pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact at 505-476-3489.

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