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Subject:

Unit Petroleum Gourley Fed 3 Pit

Sonny,

Daniel asked me to provide you guys with an update on this pit closure. We are currently in the process of determining if this is going to be a groundwater impact issue. On Feb 19, 2009, the operator's contractor (Tetra Tech) installed an up gradient monitor well at the site. There is also an existing abandoned water well just SW of this site. Samples were obtained from both wells. In speaking with Tetra Tech this morning, they had just received the analytical data yesterday. They will review and forward with a plan to move forward.

What will likely happen is they will install two more monitor wells to determine if groundwater has been impacted. That will dictate what will be required next. I believe we have a compliance due date in the ACO, but at the admin conference we had discussed the project may extend beyond that date depending on the groundwater impact determination. If you need any more info, let me know.

Mike Bratcher