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Subject:

Extension of ACO 255

Attachments:

2009 9-30 Signed ACO 255-B Letter.pdf; 2009 9-30 Signed ACO 255-B.pdf

Mailed copy to follow.



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Governor

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Division Director
Oil Conservation Division



September 30, 2009

Skip L. Wedel Unit Petroleum Company 7130 S. Lewis Ave., Suite 1000 Tulsa, OK 74136-5465

Email: skip.wedel@unitcorp.com

Re:

Agreed Compliance Order 255 / Notice of Violation 02-08-23

Operator:

Unit Petroleum Company — OGRID 115970

Facility:

Gourley Federal 003Q, 30-015-34152, H-28-22S-28E

Dear Operator:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has approved Unit Petroleum Company's (Unit's) request to extend the time to complete the closure of the Gourley Federal 003Q pit. Enclosed is Unit's copy of the amended Agreed Compliance Order (ACO) that grants the extension. <u>The amended ACO requires Unit to close the pit by November 2, 2009</u>.

As Mr. Glenn von Gonten explained to you on the telephone today, to close the pit Unit is required to at least do 5 soil borings, delineate the soil to determine the extent of the contamination, remove the contaminated soil, backfill with top soil, drop plastic liner, and ultimately reclaim the surface. As Mr. von Gonten also explained, Unit must file an administratively complete abatement plan for the contamination. We explained to you that Unit can proceed with pit closure without having to wait for the abatement plan process.

Please contact me at (505) 476-3463 or sonny.swazo@state.nm.us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sonhy Swalzo

OCD Assistant General Counsel

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Daniel Sanchez, OCD Compliance Director Glenn von Gonten, OCD Environmental Engineer Randy Dade, OCD District II Supervisor Mike Bratcher, OCD District II Compliance Officer Matthew A. Doffer, matthew.doffer@unitcorp.com

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

ACO No. 255-B

IN THE MATTER OF UNIT PETROLEUM COMPANY,

Respondent.

SECOND AMENDED AGREED ORDER DIRECTING COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 4 of Agreed Compliance Order No. 255 ("ACO 255"), the Director of the Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") hereby amends that Order as follows:

FINDINGS

- 1. Ordering Paragraph 2(A) of ACO 255 required Operator to close the pit for the Gourley Federal 003Q (30-015-34152) by June 1, 2009.
- 2. Ordering Paragraph 4 of ACO 255 provides that OCD may approve Operator's request for an extension to complete the requirements in Ordering Paragraph 2(A) for good-cause.
- 3. Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 4 of ACO 255, OCD issued Amendment A, extending the time period to close the pit for the Gourley Federal 003Q (30-015-34152) by October 1, 2009.
- 4. On September 28, 2009, pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 2(A), Operator requested, by email, an extension to complete the requirements in Ordering Paragraph 2(A).

CONCLUSIONS

- I. Operator has demonstrated sufficient good-cause for the granting of the extension.
- 2. Ordering Paragraph 2(A) should be amended to require Operator to close the pit by November 2, 2009.

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. Ordering Paragraph 2(A) is hereby amended to require Operator to close the pit by November 2, 2009.
 - 2. The terms of Agreed Compliance Order No. 255 otherwise remain in effect.

ACOI 255-B

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 30th day of September, 2009

Mark Fesmire, P.E.
Director, Oil Conservation Division

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