

1R - 427-170

Plugging  
REPORTS

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 Cc: "Katie Jones" <kjones@riceswd.com>; "Haskell Conder" <hconder@riceswd.com>; "Johnson, Larry, EMNRD" <larry.johnson@state.nm.us>  
 Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2009 4:13 PM  
 Attach: EME Jct J-1 Plugging Reports.pdf  
 Subject: Re: Remediation Plan (1R-427-170) Termination (ROC EME Jct. J-1 Site)

Per NMOCD requirements, and as requested in your email dated September 14, 2009 (included below), Rice Operating Company (ROC) submits the attached Well Plugging Reports for the EME Jct. J-1 site (NMOCD Case No. 1R-427-170). A hard copy of this communication will also be sent to you via USPS mail (Certified Mail Receipt No. 7099 3400 0017 1737 1704).

Well plugging for the two monitoring wells (MW-1 and MW-2) was conducted by Harrison & Cooper, Inc. (NM Permit #WD-1271) on September 24, 2009, in accordance with NMOCD requirements (1% to 3% mixture of bentonite clay in the cement grout). The plugging reports for each well are attached with photos of the operation.

ROC acknowledges that they have met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC, the NMOCD terminated the remediation plan (1R-427-170) in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC, and no further actions are required.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (432) 638-8740 or Hack Conder at (575) 393-9174.

Thanks - Gil

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----- Original Message -----

From: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
 To: Hack Conder  
 Cc: Johnson, Larry, EMNRD ; Marvin Burrows ; Scott Curtis ; Gil Van Deventer  
 Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 5:57 PM  
 Subject: Remediation Plan (1R-427-170) Termination (ROC EME Jct. J-1 Site)

**RE: ICP Report and Termination Request for the Rice Operating Company's  
 EME Jct. J-1 Site  
 Unit Letter J, Section 1, T20S, R36E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico  
 Remediation Plan (1R-427-170) Termination**

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received Rice Operating Company's report and request to close the above-referenced site (dated July 10, 2009). The report is acceptable to the OCD. However, the material used to plug the groundwater monitoring wells and recovery well must be a cement grout with 1% to 3% bentonite. Please submit to the OCD a final plugging report within 90 days of receipt of this notice.

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The above-referenced report, submitted in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC (Part 29; formally, Rule 116), indicates that Rice Operating Company has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC; therefore, the OCD approves the report and hereby notifies you that the remediation plan (1R-427-170) is terminated in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Please be advised that OCD approval of this report 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.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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## Plugging Report

Client	Rice Operating
Contractor	Harrison & Cooper
Date Completed	9/24/2009
Site	EME Jct. J-1
Well ID	MW-1
Casing Diameter	2"
Well Depth	39'
Casing Material	PVC
Plugging Material	Portland/Bentonite Slurry
Slurry Interval	3'-39'
Cement Interval	0'-3'

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## Plugging Report

Client	Rice Operating
Contractor	Harrison & Cooper
Date Completed	9/24/2009
Site	EME Jct. J-1
Well ID	MW-2
Casing Diameter	2"
Well Depth	40'
Casing Material	PVC
Plugging Material	Portland/Bentonite Slurry
Slurry Interval	3'-40'
Cement Interval	0'-3'

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Monitoring Well Plugging at EME Jct. J-1 Site (1R-0427-170)

