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**From:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 28, 2010 8:17 AM  
**To:** Hack Conder  
**Cc:** Leking, Geoffrey R, EMNRD; Katie Jones  
**Subject:** ICP Approval for Rice BD O-23 vent (1R426-99)

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed the submitted Investigation Characterization Plans (ICP), dated October 5, 2009, for the above-referenced site. The OCD hereby conditionally approves the following ICP for the Rice Operating Company (ROC) site:

Rice BD O-23 vent submitted by Texerra on 10/16/2009 #1R426-99

ROC must delineate the extent of the impact at the site for chloride to 250 mg/Kg or less; TPH to 100 ppm or less (using a PID); benzene to 10 mg/Kg or less; and BTEX to 50 mg/Kg or less.

If groundwater (including the capillary fringe) is encountered, then ROC must install at least one monitoring well. (Additional monitoring wells may be required if any WQCC standard is exceeded.) The groundwater must be analyzed for chloride, sulfate and TDS (and BTEX if warranted).

Also, please be advised that OCD approval of this plan 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 questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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