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<b>Re:</b>	<b><u>3RP#</u></b>	<b><u>Site Name</u></b>
	<b>447</b>	<b>Hwy 537 Llaves Pipeline 2008 Release</b>
	<b>448</b>	<b>Hwy 537 Truck Receiving Station (2009)</b>

Mr. Strandling and Ms. McNally:

I have reviewed the 2015 and 2016 Annual Progress Reports for the releases referenced above.

We appreciate your NAPL recovery efforts in 2015 with about 7,100 pounds of oil recovered at 3RP-447 and about 1,860 pounds of condensate recovered at 3RP-448.

We request these types of recovery efforts be continued and ask you to submit work plans for pilot scale testing of various recovery technologies to be evaluated in late summer or early fall.

Your request to plug and abandon (P&A) certain monitoring wells is based on several years of non-detects for BTEX or wells being dry. Well-placed upgradient and downgradient monitoring wells will be retained. OCD approves P&A for the following monitoring wells.

3RP-447	MW 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8
3RP-448	MW 5-11

Thank you for your work so far.

Respectfully,

P.E., Hydrologist, District III

cc: Jim Griswold, Charlie Perrin, Brandon Powell, Cory Smith, Vanessa Fields