AP - 44

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

YEAR(S): 2006-2004

Price, Wayne, EMNRD

From: Price, Wayne, EMNRD

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2006 11:11 AM

To: 'Tim Reed'

Cc: Kristin Farris Pope; VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD; Johnson, Larry, EMNRD

Subject: RE: ROC, SWD H-13 Site AP-44

Dear Mr. Reed and Ms. Pope:

OCD is in receipt of the Stage I results and request for Release from Rule 19 dated August 18, 2006 for the EME SWD H-13 Site AP-44 site. After reviewing the submittal OCD is inclined to agree with your conclusions. In order for OCD to release this site it would be helpful if ROC demonstrates that the groundwater gradient is accurate. All of the wells installed are in line and thus any side gradient influence may be missed. Also, it would be helpful if an area map is provided showing the location and the area of review showing the water well study.

Please provide this information within 60 days, otherwise OCD may require a stage II groundwater remediation plan.

Price, Wayne, EMNRD

From:

Price, Wayne, EMNRD

Sent:

Tuesday, May 16, 2006 3:54 PM

To:

'Tim Reed'

Cc:

Kristin Farris Pope

Subject: RE: Stage II Deadline Extension Request

Approved.

Please be advised that NMOCD approval of this request does not relieve the owner/operator of Responsibility should their operations fail to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

From: Tim Reed [mailto:treed@hec-enviro.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 3:37 PM

To: Price, Wayne, EMNRD **Cc:** Kristin Farris Pope

Subject: Stage II Deadline Extension Request

May 16, 2006

Mr. Wayne Price:

Highlander Environmental Corp., on behalf of Rice Operating Company is requesting an extension of time for completion of the approved Stage I Abatement Plans for the Rice Operating Company, Justis Jct. L-1 (AP-48); BD Jct. F-17 (AP-47); and EME H-13 (AP-44). The original deadline for submittal of Stage II Abatement Plans is May 31, 2006. Highlander requests an extension of 90 days to complete delineation of these sites. Please advise if you have any comments or require any additional information.

Thank you,

Tim Reed, P.G. Vice President Highlander Environmental Corp. office - (432) 682-4559 fax - (432) 682-3946 cell - (432) 557-4680

RICE Operating Company

122 West Taylor • Hobbs, New Mexico 88240 Phone: (505)393-9174 • Fax: (505) 397-1471

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RETURN RECIEPT NO. 7005 1820 0001 6804 7678

January 23, 2006

Mr. Wayne Price New Mexico Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

RE:

EME H-13 Release Site PUBLIC NOTIFICATION NMOCD CASE #AP-44

Mr. Price:

In accordance with Rule 19 (Section 19.15.1.19 NMAC, Subsection G) Public Notice requirements, please accept the enclosed copies of proof that the appropriate individuals and entities were notified of the Stage 1 Abatement Plan submitted by Highlander Environmental Corp. for the H-13 Release Site.

Notices were sent via certified mail to landowners within the prescribed radius and return receipts were received for all landowners, indicating that the mailing was received. Mailings were also sent to the Lea County Commission and the list of Interested Parties found on the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) website. Three mail deliveries could not be confirmed so the document was sent via electronic mail (e-mail) to the addresses provided on the list. Thirty-five total notifications were sent and only one was not delivered. The notification to Mike Schultz of the International Technology Corp. (from the OCD Interested Parties list) was return as "attempted—not known." Previous mailings to this address have been refused.

As directed by OCD, the Stage 1 Abatement Plan notifications were published in the *Albuquerque Journal* and the *Hobbs News-Sun* newspapers. Affidavits for these publications are enclosed.

ROC requests that OCD consider public notice complete for this site. Should you have any further questions regarding this request, do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

ROC is the service provider (operator) for the EME SWD System and has no ownership of any portion of the pipeline, well, or facility. The System is owned by a consortium of oil producers, System Partners, who provide all operating capital on a percentage ownership/usage basis.

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cc: CDH, Highlander, file, Daniel Sanchez (NMOCD),

Mr. Chris Williams NMOCD, District I Office 1625 N. French Drive Hobbs, NM 88240

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LEGAL NOTICE December 23, 2005

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

State of New Mexico
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Oil Conservation Division

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to New Mexico Oil Conservation Division-Regulations, the following Stage I Abatement Plan Proposal has been submitted to the Director of the Oil Conservation Division, 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504, Telephone (505) 476-3440:

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This newspaper is duly qualified to publish legal notices or advertisements within the meaning of Section 3, Chapter 167, Laws of 1937, and payment of fees for said publication has been made.

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Public Notice Mailings (12/19/2005) Stage 1 Abatement Plan

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1	Gilbert Borrego New Mexico State Land Office P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148	X			Return Receipt Received
2	Charlcie F. Byrd P.O. Box 32 Monument, NM 88265	X			Return Receipt Received
3	Edward H. Klein P.O. Box 1503 Hobbs, NM 88240	X			Return Receipt Received
4	Jimmie T. Cooper Star Route A, Box 32 Monument, NM 88265	X			Return Receipt Received
5	Carlsbad Field Office Jim Amos 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, NM 88220		X		No return receipt as of 1/23/06; e-mailed & faxed 1/23/06
6	Eott Energy Pipeline P.O. Box 4666 Houston, TX 77210	X			Return Receipt Received
7	Attorney General's Office P.O. Box 1508 Santa Fe, NM 87502 - 0115	X			Return Receipt Received
8	Bureau of Land Management State Director P.O. Box 27115 Santa Fe, NM 87502 - 0115	X			Return Receipt Received
9	Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau Runnels Building Santa Fe, NM 87504	X			Return Receipt Received
10	Gerald R. Zimmerman Colorado River Board of Calif. 770 Fairmont Ave, Ste. 100 Glendale, CA 91203 - 1035	X			Return Receipt Received
11	Dr. Harry Bishara P.O. Box 748 Cuba, NM 87013	X			Return Receipt Received
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28	State Historic Preservation Officer Attn: Elmo Baca 228 East Palace Avenue Villa Rivera Room 101 Santa Fe, NM 87503	X			Return Receipt Received
29	US Fish & Wildlife Service Field Supervisor 2105 Osuan Road, Northeast Albuquerque, NM 87113 - 1001	X			Return Receipt Received
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31	Ron Dutton Southwestern Public Service P.O. Box 1261 Amarillo, TX 79170	X			Return Receipt Received
32	State Parks & Recreation Director 1220 S St. Francis Santa Fe, NM 87505	X			Return Receipt Received
33	Regional Forester USFS Regional Office 517 Gold Avenue SW Albuquerque, NM 87102		X		Undeliverable mail, not able to forward; e-mailed 1/23/06
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Subject: Rule 19 Public Notice (H-13)

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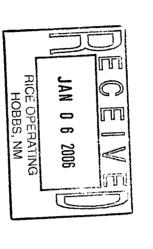
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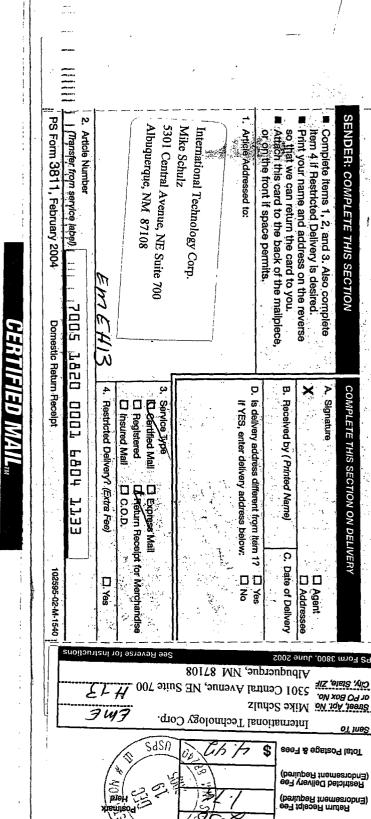
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Highlander Environmental Corp.

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December 6, 2005

Mr. Wayne Price New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504



RE: Rice Operating Company
Stage I Abatement Plan Public Notices for
Justis H-2 SWD, Justis Jct. L-1, BD Jct. F-17 and EME H-13

Dear Mr. Price:

I have attached the proposed State I Abatement Plan Public Notices for the Rice Operating Company, Justis H-2 SWD (AP-49); Justis Jct. L-1 (AP-48); BD Jct. F-17 (AP-47); and EME H-13 (AP-44) for your approval.

Please let me know if you have any comments, or if you require any additional information. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Tim Reed, P.G. Vice President

cc: Kristen Farris Pope, Rice Operating Company

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Oil Conservation Division

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Regulations, the following Stage I Abatement Plan Proposal has been submitted to the Director of the Oil Conservation Division, 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504, Telephone (505) 476-3440:

Rice Operating Company, Carolyn Doran Haynes, Engineering Manager, Telephone (505) 393-9174, 122 West Taylor, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240, has submitted a Stage I Abatement Plan for an accidental discharge site, located on a pipeline section of the Eunice-Monument-Eumont Salt Water Disposal System. The site is located approximately 4.0 miles southwest of Monument, in Unit Letter H, Section 13, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Rice Operating Company operates a saltwater disposal pipeline at the site. Chloride impact has been observed in the groundwater at the site. The Stage I Abatement Plan proposes the installation of soil borings in the vicinity of the leak in order to further delineate the vertical and horizontal extent of vadose zone impact. Also proposed are two (2) additional monitoring wells to evaluate groundwater impact and hydraulic gradient. A water well inventory will be performed to encompass a ½ mile radius around the site. The information generated will be evaluated and utilized to develop a groundwater remedy, if necessary. The findings will be presented to the NMOCD in a subsequent Stage II Abatement Plan. Quarterly sampling of all monitor wells will continue until results meet approval of the NMOCD. The monitor well results will be reported annually until closure.

Any interested person may obtain further information from the Oil Conservation Division and may submit written comments to the Director of the Oil Conservation Division at the address given above. The Stage I Abatement Plan Revision Proposal may be viewed at the above address or at the Oil Conservation Division District Office, 1625 N. French Drive, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240, Telephone (505) 393-6161 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Prior to ruling on any proposed Stage I Abatement Plan, the Director of the Oil Conservation Division shall allow at least thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice during which written comments may be submitted to him.



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Director

Oil Conservation Division

November 18, 2005

Ms. Carolyn Doran Haynes Rice Operating Company 122 West Taylor Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

RE: ABATEMENT PLAN PROPOSALS LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Ms. Haynes:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has reviewed Rice Operating Company's (Rice) ABATEMENT PLANS. These documents contains Rice's proposed Stage 1 and Stage 2 abatement plans for investigation and remediation of contamination for the sites listed below. Please note OCD has issued each site with a new abatement plan number. Please use this number in the future on all correspondence. The OCD has determined that the below Abatement Plan Proposals are administratively complete.

EME Jct. M-16-1	M-16-20s-37e	1R0427-93	Stage 1	6/23/05	New AP-42
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EME P-6 leak	P- 6-20s-37e	1R0422	Stage 1&2	7/14/05	New AP-45
EME Jct. K-6	K- 6-20s-37e	1R0427-88	Stage 1	10/17/05	New AP-46
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Before the OCD can complete a review of the proposals, the OCD requires that:

- 1. Rice issue approved notice of publication in the Albuquerque Journal and Hobbs News Sun pursuant to OCD Rule 19.G.(2).
- 2. Prior to issuing public notice, Rice shall issue approved written notice of the proposals pursuant to OCD Rule 19.G.(1). Please note 19.G(1)(d) can be found on OCD's web page.

Ms. Carolyn Doran Haynes November 18, 2005 Page 2

3. Rice provide the OCD with proof of publication and proof of written notice. Proof of notice shall include a map of the surface owners of record within one (1) mile of the perimeter of the site and shall identify compliance with each of the provisions of Rule 19.G.

Please note in the future it might be prudent to include you public notice provisions in the abatement plan submittal. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call (505)-476-3487 or E-mail wayne.price@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

Wayne Price-Senor Envr. Engr.

Enclosures

cc: Chris Williams, OCD Hobbs District Office



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May 05, 2005

Joanna Prukop
Cabinet Secretary
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Director
Oil Conservation Division

Carolyn Doran Haynes Rice Operating Company 122 West Taylor Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Re: Sites with confirmed Groundwater Contamination

Dear Ms. Haynes:

Pursuant to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division rule 19.15.1.19 (Rule 19) Prevention and Abatement of Water Pollution requires all responsible persons who are abating water pollution in excess of the standards shall do so pursuant to an abatement plan approved by the director.

Therefore, Rice Operating Company is hereby required to submit individual abatement plans for OCD approval by July 15, 2005 for each of the following sites:

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Jct. M-16-1	UL	M	Sec 16, T20S, R37E	1R0427-93
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After OCD receives the plans each site will be assigned a new Abatement Plan number (AP#) for tracking purposes. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 505-476-3493 or E-mail DJSanchez@state.nm.us; or contact Wayne Price of my staff at 505-476-3487 or e-mail WPRICE@state.nm.us.

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