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Subject: NRM2014958679 SANDY FEDERAL BATTERY @ P-23-23S-30E 0N 0E
Attachments: (C-141 Remediation Plan) NRM2014958679 SANDY FEDERAL BATTERY @ P-23-23S-30E 0N 0E.pdf

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Ms. Garza,

The OCD has denied the submitted Site Characterization/Remediation Plan C-141 for incident # NRM2014958679 SANDY FEDERAL BATTERY @ P-23-23S-30E 0N 0E for the following reasons:

- The Depth to groundwater has been incorrectly assessed. When nearby wells are used to determine depth to groundwater, the wells should be no further than ½ mile away from the site, data should be no more than 25 years old, and well construction information should be provided.
- Vertical delineation, which is driven by depth to water, is incomplete because the depth to groundwater has not been established.
- Horizontal delineation has not been completed. Please see 19.15.29.11.5.(b) and (d)

The Denied C-141 can be found in the online image file. Please review and make the required correction prior to resubmitting through the fee portal.

Thank you,

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