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To: [Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD](#); [EMNRD-OCD-District1spills](#); [Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD](#)
Cc: ["Shane McNeely"](#); ["Randall Hicks"](#); ["Connor Aitken"](#); mboyd@ameredev.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: (Extension Approval) Ameredev-DeSoto Release #NRM2025449421
Date: Thursday, September 16, 2021 4:47:43 PM

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NMOCD,

This email is to inform you that the final excavation for the referenced release will be backfilled with clean, imported soil beginning on **Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at approximately 8:00 a.m. MST**. The north wall composite sample and the subject of the email below, did not meet closure criteria on the date stated. On August 5, 2021, I was in the area and decided to monitor the wall/ramp after the recent rains by grabbing another composite and testing for EC. The result was low enough that I sent the sample to the lab for confirmation and it met closure criteria. This was the final wall to meet closure criteria and I regret I did not give NMOCD proper notice of this impromptu sample.

Please call or email me with any questions regarding the backfill of this release excavation. Thank you.

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From: Kristin Pope <kristin@rthicksconsult.com>
Sent: Monday, June 7, 2021 7:48 PM
To: 'Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD' <Robert.Hamlet@state.nm.us>; 'EMNRD-OCD-District1spills' <EMNRD-OCD-District1spills@state.nm.us>; mike.bratcher@state.nm.us
Cc: 'Shane McNeely' <smcneely@ameredev.com>; 'Randall Hicks' <r@rthicksconsult.com>; 'Connor Aitken' <caitken@ameredev.com>
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NMOCD:

I will be sampling the final wall, the north wall/ramp, of the current excavation for closure on **Wednesday, June 9, at 10:00 am**. I will screen the composite sample for EC and if acceptable, submit for laboratory analysis to possibly be used for closure. I regret the short notice but my schedule opened up. Please contact me with any questions.

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From: Kristin Pope <kristin@rthicksconsult.com>

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NMOCD:

We will be conducting a second round of sampling of the extended walls and floor of the excavation this afternoon at approximately 3:00 pm. I will screen them for EC and if acceptable, submit for laboratory analyses. I regret the short notice but the backhoe was broken and just repaired so the excavation was only just finished. The samples collected today that are submitted to the lab may be used for closure. Please contact me with any questions.

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From: Kristin Pope <kristin@rthicksconsult.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 9:02 PM

To: 'Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD' <Robert.Hamlet@state.nm.us>; 'EMNRD-OCD-District1spills' <EMNRD-OCD-District1spills@state.nm.us>

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NMOCD:

Ameredev will begin the excavation and disposal of the affected off-site soils on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 in accordance with the submitted Remediation Plan. We anticipate closure sampling on Thursday but we can't be precise as we'll be sampling as the excavation progresses. I will update you after Wednesday's work to see if I can give a better estimate. Thank you for understanding.

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From: Kristin Pope <kristin@rthicksconsult.com>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 3:35 PM

To: 'Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD' <Robert.Hamlet@state.nm.us>; 'EMNRD-OCD-District1spills' <EMNRD-OCD-District1spills@state.nm.us>

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On behalf of Ameredev Operating, please find the attached [Delineation Report/Remediation Plan](#). We apologize for the delay and will notify NMOCD of remediation activities and closure sampling.

Ameredev will submit this to the portal.

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From: Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD [<mailto:Robert.Hamlet@state.nm.us>]

Sent: Friday, October 30, 2020 10:17 AM

To: Kristin Pope <kristin@rthicksconsult.com>; EMNRD-OCD-District1spills <EMNRD-OCD-District1spills@state.nm.us>

Cc: 'Shane McNeely' <smcneely@ameredev.com>; 'Randall Hicks' <r@rthicksconsult.com>

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RE: Incident **#NRM2025449421**

Kristin,

Your request for an extension to **November 9th, 2020** is approved. Ameredev Operating, R.T. Hicks Consultants requests an extension of 7-days' time for #NRM2025449421 from the 90-day timeline for a characterization report which is due on November 2, 2020. Characterization is complete but lab analysis took longer than expected. Ameredev asks for a 7-day extension to complete the proposed remediation plan for NMOCD approval to submit along with the characterization report. A 7-day extension will allow enough time to complete the characterization report/correction action plan and for peer review before submission to NMOCD.

Thank you,

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From: Kristin Pope <kristin@rthicksconsult.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 10:50 PM
To: EMNRD-OCD-District1spills <EMNRD-OCD-District1spills@state.nm.us>; Enviro, OCD, EMNRD <OCD.Enviro@state.nm.us>
Cc: 'Shane McNeely' <smcneely@ameredev.com>; 'Randall Hicks' <r@rthicksconsult.com>
Subject: [EXT] RE: Ameredev-DeSoto Release #NRM2025449421

NMOCD, District I:

On the behalf of Ameredev Operating, R.T. Hicks Consultants respectfully requests for an extension of 7-days' time for #NRM2025449421 from the 90-day timeline for a characterization report which is due on November 2, 2020. Characterization is complete but lab analysis took longer than expected. We ask for a 7-day extension to complete the proposed remediation plan for NMOCD approval to submit along with the characterization report.

A 7-day extension will allow enough time to complete the characterization report/correction action plan and for peer review before submission to NMOCD.

19.15.29.11 SITE ASSESSMENT/CHARACTERIZATION: After the responsible party has removed all free liquids and recoverable materials, the responsible party must assess soils both vertically and horizontally for potential environmental impacts from any major or minor release containing liquids.

A. Characterization requirements. The responsible party must submit information characterizing the release to the appropriate division district office within 90 days of discovery of the release or characterize the release by submitting a final closure report within 90 days of discovery of the release in accordance with Subsection E of [19.15.29.12](#) NMAC. The responsible party may seek an extension of time to submit characterization information for good cause as determined by the division. The responsible party must submit the following information to the division.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this request to submit the report/plan by November 9, 2020.

Thank you.

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From: Kristin Pope [<mailto:kristin@rthicksconsult.com>]
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Cc: 'Shane McNeely' <smcneely@ameredev.com>
Subject: RE: Ameredev DeSoto Release Notification

Please accept this notification of characterization sampling at the release on **Thursday, August 13, 2020**, beginning at approximately 9:00 am MST. Please contact me at the number below if you have any questions. Thank you.

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From: r@rthicksconsult.com [<mailto:r@rthicksconsult.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 4:12 PM

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Cc: 'Shane McNeely' <smcneely@amerdev.com>; kristin@rthicksconsult.com

Subject: Ameredev DeSoto Release Notification

Sir or Madam

Please accept this as notification of a release at the DeSoto Springs Containment site of Ameredev Operating LLC. At this time we cannot determine if the release exceeded 25 bbls, thus we are notifying OCD within the 24 hour window.

Thanks you for your attention to this matter.

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