

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

**Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure**

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes ☒ No ☐

Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank ☐ Closure of a pit or below-grade tank ☒

Operator: Yates Petroleum Corporation Telephone: 505-748-4500 e-mail address: mikes@ypcnm.com

Address: 105 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Artesia, N.M. 88210

Facility or well name: Chosa ATR Federal 2 API #: 30 015 34210 U/L or Qtr/Qtr M Sec 5 T 25S R 26E

County: Eddy Latitude: 32.15311 Longitude: 104.32145 NAD: 1927 ☒ 1983 ☐

Surface Owner: Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☐

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**Pit**

Type: Drilling ☒ Production ☐ Disposal ☐

Work over ☐ Emergency ☐

Lined ☒ Unlined ☐

Liner type: Synthetic ☒ Thickness 12 mil Clay ☐

Pit Volume 20,000 bbl

**Below-grade tank**

Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Type of fluid: \_\_\_\_\_

Construction material: \_\_\_\_\_

Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes ☐ If not, explain why not.

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Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)

Less than 50 feet  
50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet  
100 feet or more

(20 points) XXX  
(10 points)  
( 0 points)

Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)

Yes  
No

(20 points)  
( 0 points) XXXX

Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)

Less than 200 feet  
200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet  
1000 feet or more

(20 points)  
(10 points)  
( 0 points) XXXX

Ranking Score (Total Points)

20 points

If this is a pit closure: (1) Attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: (check the onsite box if you are burying in place)

onsite ☒ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of facility NA (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, show depth below ground surface \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and attach sample results.

(5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

Additional Comments: Closure work plan for drilling pit. An encapsulation trench will be constructed and lined with 12 mil synthetic liner next to existing drilling pit. The drilling pit contents will be excavated and emplaced into the encapsulation trench using a mixture of three to one pit material and Class H bulk cement or CKD. The emulsion of pit material and cement will be mixed using a track hoe and water added if needed. After completion of solidifying pit material in cement and pit contents have set in place for a minimum of 24 hours, the encapsulation trench will then be capped using a 20 mil synthetic liner placed over the pit contents with a minimum of a 3' over lap of the underlying trench areas. The trench will then be backfilled to grade using a minimum of 3' of clean soil or like material. A one call and 48 hour notification to OCD will be made before pit closure action begins. Beginning pit closure date: N/A. Ending pit closure date: N/A

See attached sampling and closure data

\*AMENDMENT TO PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED AND APPROVED C-144 DATED 02/07/06

PIT CLOSURE FINAL

DATE 4/29/2006

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines ☐, a general permit ☒, or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan ☐.

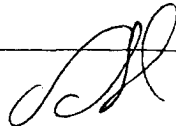
Date: March 28, 2006

Printed Name/Title Mike Stubblefield / Regulatory Agent

Signature 

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approval:

Printed Name/Title \_\_\_\_\_ Signature  Date: 5-28-06

Accepted for record - NMOCD

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