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District II  
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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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

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

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

**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: Hill View AHE Federal Cum 17 API #: 30-015-27214 U/L or Qtr/Qtr O Sec 23 T 20S R 24E

County: Eddy Latitude 32.55372 Longitude 104.55631 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 12,000 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	(20 points)
	50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet	(10 points)
	100 feet or more	( 0 points) XXXX
Wellhead protection area. (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes	(20 points)
	No	( 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	(20 points)
	200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet	(10 points)
	1000 feet or more	( 0 points) XXXX
Ranking Score (Total Points)		0 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. The drilling pit contents will be mixed to stiffen the pit contents. Encapsulation trench will be excavated and lined with a 12 mil. Synthetic liner on former drilling pit site. Drilling pit contents will then be emplaced into the encapsulation trench. A 20 mil. Synthetic liner will then be placed over the pit contents with a min. of a 3' over lap of the underlying trench areas. The encapsulation trenches will then be backfilled back to grade using a min. of 3' of clean soil and like material. A one call & 48 hour notice will be provided to the Oil Conservation Division before pit closure actions begin.

Pit Closure actions to begin by NA. Ending date NA

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: 11/18/2005

Printed Name/Title Mike Stubbelfield / Regulatory Agent

Signature Mike Stubbelfield

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:

Gerry Guye

Printed Name/Title

Compliance Officer

Signature Gerry Guye

Date: 12-05-05

PIT CLOSURE FINAL  
DATE 5/9/2007

MARTIN YATES, III  
1912 - 1985  
FRANK W. YATES  
1936 - 1986



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I certify that on 4/4/2007, tests were conducted on soil samples from the

30-015-27214 UT. 0 23-205-24c Hillview AHE Fed. #17

All soil samples were 5 spot composite from bottom of Excavated O.P. Area.

Following are the results of those tests.

EPA Method 9074, TPH 8' depth 0 ppm

EPA Method 9253 8' depth 340 ppm CL, 16' depth 65' ppm CL.

PID Meter, BTEX 8' depth 0 ppm.

All testing was done at Yates Petroleum Corporation or on location.

Respectfully,

*Mike Stubblefield*

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Environmental Regulatory Agent