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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1008 Rio Brazos Road, Artesia, 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 NMOCED 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

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OCD-ARTESIA

Operator: Oxy USA Inc Telephone: 887-8337 e-mail address: Rick\_Kerby@oxy.com  
Address: P.O. Box 1988 Carlsbad, NM 88220  
Facility or well name: Pure Gold A Fed #17 APT #: 3001535310 U/L or Qtr/Qu.: Sec 21 T23S R31E  
County: Eddy Latitude: 32.288320 Longitude: 103.775866 NAD: 1927  1983  Surface Owner Federal  State  Private  Indian

Use: Drilling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Volume <u>1,000</u> bbl	<b>Below-grade tank</b> Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not: _____
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) X
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) X
Distance to surface water: (Horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral water resources.)	Less than 200 feet (20 points) 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet (10 points) 1000 feet or more (0 points) X
<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b> 0	

If this is a pit closure: (1) Attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship in other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location. (check the onsite box if your are burying in place) onsite  offsite  If offsite, name of facility: \_\_\_\_\_ (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 placed into the encapsulation trench. A 20 mil synthetic liner will then be placed over the pit contents with a minimum of 3' over top of the underlined trench areas. The encapsulation trench will then be backfilled to grade using a minimum of 3' of clean or like material.

A one call and 48 hour notice will be provided to the OCD before pit closure actions begin.

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 NMOCED guidelines , a general permit , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan .

Date: 6/02/2008  
Printed Name/Title: Rick Kerby HES Specialist Signature: Rick Kerby

Your certification and NMOCED 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: Signed By Mike Benavente JUN 09 2008

NOTIFY OCD 24 HOURS PRIOR to beginning closure and 24 HOURS PRIOR to obtaining samples. Samples are to be obtained from pit area and analyses submitted to OCD prior to back-filling.

If burial trench is to be constructed in pit area, samples are to be obtained and analyses submitted to OCD PRIOR to lining trench.