1625 N Trench Dt., Hobbs, NM 88240 District II 1301 W Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210 District III 1000 Rto Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 District IV

1220 S St Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

obtained from pit area and analyses submitted to OCD prior to back-filling.

## 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 Γe 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 \(\superscript{No}\)\(\infty\)

| Type of action. Registration of a pit of  | or below-grade tank \[ \] Closure of a pit or below-g   | rade tank  |
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| Address 3300 N A Street, Bldg # 7 Suite 200 Midland, Texasc79705 Facility or well name: Oscoola State # 1 Well and Tank Battery API #: 3 County, Lddy Latitude  |   | ow@stmaryland.com  Sec 1 1-25-S R-28-E  NAD: 1927 ⊠ 1983 □   |
| Surface Owner: Federal 🗵 State 🗌 Private 🗌 Indian 🗌   |   |  |
| Pit  Type Drilling Production Disposal Workover Limergency  Liner type: Thickness mil Clay Pit Volume 500 bbl (estimated)   | Below-grade tank  Volume: _bbl Type of fluid  |  |
| Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water ) 40° •  | Less than 50 feet 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet 100 feet or more  | (20 points) 20<br>(10 points)<br>( 0 points) 0   |
| Wellhead protection area (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)  | Yes<br>No   | (20 points)<br>( 0 points) 0   |
| 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) 0  |
| 4   | Ranking Score (Total Points)  | 20   |
| your are burying in place) onsite  offsite  If offsite, name of facility I remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered No  (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excava  Additional Comments: Please see attached closure plan  | Yes [ If yes, show depth below ground surface   | nd water is  y time during the perations are to  |
| I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guideline.  Date 5-28-2008  Printed Name/Title Gary Miller, Agent, Highlander Environmental Co Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it reheve regulations. | es [], a general permit [], or an (attached) after  orp Signature  not relieve the operator of liability should the conte | native OCD-approved plan . See above   |
| Approval.   | Signed By Mily Be   | MAY 2 9 2008   |
| NOTIFY OCD 24 HOURS PRIOR to beginning closure and 24 HOURS PRIOR to obtaining samples. Samples are to be   | Approval per attached work pkn  | , A va va submitted to the state of the stat |



## Highlander Environmental Corp.

Midland, Texas

May 23, 2008

Mr. Mike Bratcher Environmental Bureau Oil Conservation Division- District 2 1301 W. Grand Avenue Artesia, New Mexico 88210

RE: Work Plan for Site Closure for the Pit Located at the Osceola State #1 Well and Tank Battery, Unit Letter L, Section 1, Township 25 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, Operated by Southwest Royalties, Inc.

Mr. Bratcher:

St. Mary Land & Exploration Company retained Highlander Environmental Corp. (Highlander) of Midland, Texas to assist in closure of the above mentioned pit. The site location is shown on Figures 1 and 2.

## Regulatory

A review of the New Mexico State Engineer's Office database and the USGS database did not show any wells in Section 1, Township 25 South, Range 28 East. The closest well listed in the New Mexico State Engineer's database is located in Section 6, T-25-S, R-29-E, with a reported depth to water of 40'.

A risk-based evaluation was performed for the Site in accordance with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Guidelines for Remediation of Leaks, Spills and Releases, dated August 13, 1993. The guidelines require a risk-based evaluation of the site to determine recommended remedial action levels (RRAL) for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene (collectively referred to as BTEX) and total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in soil. The proposed RRAL for benzene was determined to be 10 parts per million (ppm) or milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and 50 ppm for total BTEX (sum of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene). Based on the regional groundwater data, the proposed RRAL for TPH was 100 mg/kg.

## Pit Closure and Sampling Activities

The pit is unlined and currently dry and grassed over. The pit will be cleaned out and visually inspected for obvious signs of impact. The pit area will be measured and five sample locations will be staked. Sample locations will be in the center of the pit and in the four corners. Sampling will commence at approximately 2.0' below the pit bottom. Samples will be collected in 2'-4' increments below the initial samples.

The samples will be field screened for chloride concentrations and sampling will continue until soil concentrations fall below 250 mg/kg or until deeper samples cannot be collected. A portion of each sample will be placed into a laboratory prepared sample container and properly preserved. Selected samples will be analyzed for TPH by method 8015 modified, and chloride by EPA method 300.0 or SM4500-Cl B. Selected samples may be analyzed for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene (BTEX) by method 8021B, depending on TPH results. The information gathered will be evaluated to determine if the pit can be closed at this time or if additional investigation is required.

If the sampling indicates that the pit can be closed at this time, the pit walls will be pushed in, and the site brought back to grade with clean topsoil. The site will then be reseeded with native grasses. An NMOCD C-144 Pit Closure Form is attached.

Should you have any questions, or require any additional information, please contact me at (432) 682-4559. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Highlander Environmental Corp.

Gary Miller, President

cc: Tom Morrow – St. Mary Land Don Riggs- St. Mary