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**From:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 27, 2010 2:08 PM  
**To:** 'Randall Hicks'  
**Cc:** 'David Luna'  
**Subject:** RE: Read and Stevens, Bandit Pit -

Mr. Hicks,

Your request for an extension of time to close the drilling pit at Read & Stevens Bandit State 8 site (30-015-37434) is approved to November 18, 2010.

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Mike

As we discussed, the laboratory took a long time in getting us the analytical results, returning the report on July 6. We request an extension of time to close the pit in accordance with the protocols outlined in the NMOCD approved C-144. As outlined in the Rule (below), we request an extension for three months from the August date for closure.

(4) The operator shall remove all free liquids from a temporary pit within 30 days from the date that the operator releases the drilling or workover rig. The operator shall note the date of the drilling or workover rig's release on form C-105 or C-103 upon well or workover completion. The appropriate division district office may grant an extension of up to three months.

Thanks.

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