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Form C-144 CLEZ Revised August 1, 2011

For closed-loop systems that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

## Closed-Loop System Permit or Closure Plan Application

(that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)

Type of action: X Permit Closure

Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144 CLEZ) per individual closed-loop system request. For any application request other than for a closed-loop system that only use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure, please submit a Form C-144.

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the nvironment. Not does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.		
I.		
Operator: Merit Energy Company OGRID #: 14591		
Address: 13727 Noel Rd. Ste 500 Dallas, TX 75240		
Facility or well name: State A A/C 1 #80		
API Number: 30-025-10724 OCD Permit Number: 4104615		
U/L or Qtr/Qtr G Section 15 Township 225 235 Range 36E County: Lea		
Center of Proposed Design:         Latitude         32.30630         Longitude         -103.25086         NAD:         □1927         □ 1983		
Surface Owner:  Federal X State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment		
2.  X Closed-loop System: Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Operation: ☐ Drilling a new well X Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require-prior approval of a permit or notice of intent) ☐ P&A  X Above Ground Steel Tanks or ☐ Haul-off Bins		
Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers  Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC		
Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.  Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC Closure Plan (Please complete Box 5) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number:		
Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC) Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two		
facilities are required.  Disposal Facility Name: Cooper Public Disposal  Disposal Facility Permit Number: 30 025-29962		
Disposal Facility Name: Sundance Disposal  Disposal Facility Permit Number: 01-0003		
Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that will not be used for future service and operations?  Yes (If yes, please provide the information below)  No		
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:  Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC		
6. Operator Application Certification:		
I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.		
Name (Print): Matt Ogden Title: Regulatory Analyst		
Signature: Date: 05/14/2012		
e-mail address: matt.ogden@meritenergy.com  Telephone: (972)628-1603		

7. OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only)		
OCD Representative Signature: Approval Date: 5-17-2012		
Title: Synthesize	OCD Permit Number: P1-04615	
8.  Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report.  The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.  Closure Completion Date:		
9. Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.		
Disposal Facility Name:	Disposal Facility Permit Number:	
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Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that <i>will not</i> be used for future service and operations?  Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) No		
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:  Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation) Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique		
Operator Closure Certification:  I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.		
Name (Print):	Title:	
Signature:	Date:	
e-mail address:	Telephone:	

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