

July 22, 2005

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division District I 1625 N. French Drive Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Attn: Environmental Engineering

RE: Final Drilling Pit Closure

North Hobbs Unit 30-617 Drilling Pit UL 'D', Sec. 30, T-18-S, R-38-E

This letter is being sent as a notification of pit closure for the drilling pit at the above mentioned location. This pit will be closed as follows:

- 1. Drill cuttings and liner will be removed from brine side of pit area.
- 2. Drill cuttings from the brine side of the pit will be disposed of at Sundance Services, Parabo Facility near Eunice, New Mexico.
- 3. Drill cuttings from the fresh water side of the pit area will be mixed with soil and deep buried on site.
- 4. All cuttings from fresh water pit area will be encapsulated in a lined area.
- 5. Native soils, stored on site, will be used for backfill of the area. \sqrt{n}
- 6. NMOCD Pit and Below-Grade Tank Guidelines, dated 11-01-2004, will be used for pit closure compliance.
- 7. Start date on drill cutting removal 07/25/2005.
- 8. Work will be completed by the end of August 2005.

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9. A final form C-144 is attached.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of further assistance, please contact me at (505) 397-8251.

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Attachments: Form C-144

Diagram of pit and well location

District I 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 District II 1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210 District III 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 District IV 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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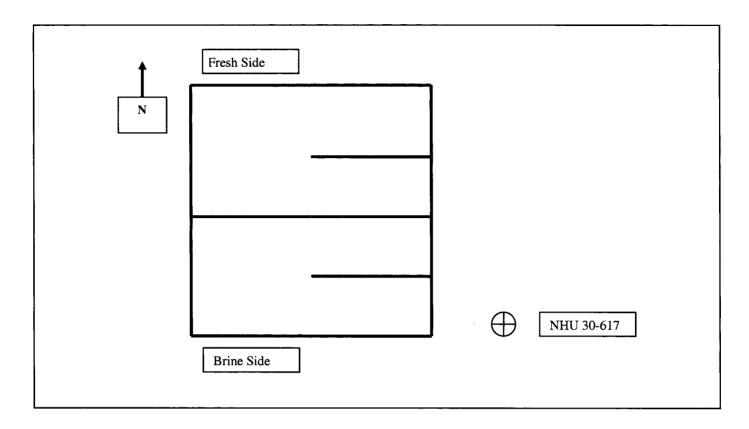
Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

Form C-144 March 12, 2004

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

	r below-grade tank Closure of a pit or below-grad	
Operator: _Occidental Permian, LTDTelephone: 505.397.825 Address: 1017 W. Stanolind Road, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240 Facility or well name: _NHU 30-617API #: _30-025-3 County: _Lea Latitude_32°43'23.14"N Longitude_103°	37102-00_U/L or Qtr/Qtr _UL 'D'Sec _30	T_18-SR_38-E
Pit Type: Drilling ☑ Production ☐ Disposal ☐ Workover ☐ Emergency ☐ Lined ☑ Unlined ☐ Liner type: Synthetic ☑ Thickness _12_mil Clay ☐ Volume _5,000bbl	Below-grade tank Volume:bbl Type of fluid: Construction material: Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes	
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet 100 feet or more	(10 points) 10 (0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes No	(20 points) 20 (0 points)
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	(10 points) (0 points) 0
	Ranking Score (Total Points)	30 /e n/
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: onsite forfisite forfisite, name of facility_Sundance Services, Parabo Facility. (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No for yes, show depth below ground surface ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations. 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: _7/22/2005 Printed Name/Title_ Steven M. Bishop/HES Tech Signature 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: Date: 9/2/05 Printed Name/Title GARY W. WINK STAFF MGR	Signature Lay W. Wink	

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API #30-025-37102-00

Unit Letter 'D' Section 30, T-18-S, R-38-E

Latitude N 32°43'23.14" Longitude W 103°11'34.55"

100' X 100' Pit 40' West of Wellhead