

January 18, 2006

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

Attn: Environmental Engineering

RE: Final Drilling Pit Closure

B. Hardin #2

UL 'E', Sec. 19, 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.
- 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 02/01/2006.

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- 8. Work should be completed by the end of March 2006.
- 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.

Steven M. Bishop

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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

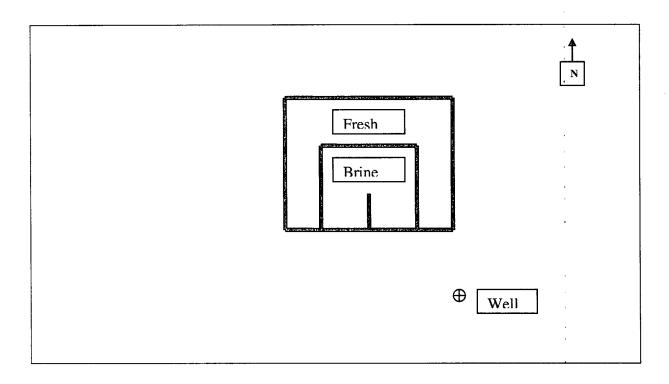
## State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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 Fe office

Form C-144 March 12, 2004

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

	r below-grade tank \( \sum \) Closure of a pit or below-grade	
Operator: _Oxy USA WTP Limited PartnershipTelephone: 505. Address: 1017 W. Stanolind Road, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240		i e
Facility or well name:Hardin B #2API #: _30-025-37		
County: _Lea Latitude_32°44'04.44" N Longitude_103°11'4		•
<u>Pit</u>	Below-grade tank	
Type: Drilling ☑ Production ☐ Disposal ☐	Volume:bbl Type of fluid:  Construction material:  Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes  If not, explain why not.	
Workover ☐ Emergency ☐		
Lined 🛛 Unlined 🗌		
Liner type: Synthetic ☑ Thickness _12_mil Clay ☐ Volume		
_8,000_bbl		
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) 10
	100 feet or more	( 0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic	Yes (Water Well over 200' but less than 1000')	(20 points) 20
•	No	( 0 points)
water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)		
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	Less than 200 feet	(20 points)
	200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet	(10 points)
	1000 feet or more	( 0 points) 0.
	Ranking Score (Total Points)	30
If this is a pit closure: (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's	relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicat	te disposal location:
onsite offsite I If offsite, name of facility PARABO		
date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No 4 Yes 1 If yes, show depth belo	w ground surfaceft. and attach sample	e 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 a been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines ⊠, a Date:1/18/2006	general permit, or an (attached) alternative OC	CD-approved plan .
Printed Name/Title_ Steven M. Bishop/ HES Specialist	Signature	TEVEN Yn. BISHED
Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not a otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the oregulations	relieve the operator of liability should the contents of t	the pit or tank contaminate ground water or
Approval: /23/06 Date: 1/23/06 Printed Name/Title GARYW. WINK STAFF MER	Signature Hary W. W.	nk
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Occidental Permian Ltd.

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API # 30-025-37350-00

Unit Letter 'E' Section 19, T-18-S, R-38-E

N 32°44`04.44",W 103°11`40.18"

100' X 100' Pit 100' North of Wellhead