

September 14, 2005

Mr. Larry Johnson, Environmental Engineer New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Oil Conservation Division Environmental Bureau 1625 North French Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Re: Chevron Vacuum Grayburg San Andres Unit #23 Drill Pit C-144 and supporting documentation

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Environmental Plus, Inc. (EPI), on behalf of Chevron, submits the enclosed New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) form C-144 and supporting information, documenting closure of the drill pit at the above-referenced well site in accordance with the "ChevronTexaco Drilling and Reserve Pit Closure General Plan." Please direct all official communications to:

Chevron Larry Ridenour, Facilities Representative HCR 60 Box 423 Lovington, New Mexico 88260 Telephone: 505.396.4414 ext#102 Email: LRidenour@ChevronTexaco.com

If there are any questions please call Mr. Iain Olness, EPI Technical Manager, or myself at the office or Mr. Larry Ridenour at 505.396.4414 ext#102.

Sincerely,

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Pat McCasland EPI Safety Director/Environmental Consultant

- cc: Larry Ridenour Chevron, w/enclosure Wayne Minchew, Chevron, w/ enclosure file
- Enclosures: NMOCD Form C-144 Groundwater Map Site Map Topographical Map Photographs

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

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For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office. For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes 🖾 No 🗌 Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank 🖾 Closure of a pit or below-grade tank 🖾

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Address: HCR 60 Box 423 Lovington, New Mexico 88260	A-9 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4	····
Facility or well name: Vacuum Grayburg San Andres Unit #23 Drill Pit API #	002502272 000 : Unit Letter (UL): J /Qtr/Qt	tr: NW ¹ /4 SE ¹ /4 Section: 2, T18S, R34E
County: Lea Latitude: 32°46'30.3"N Longitude: 103°31'45.5"W NAE	D: 1927 🔲 1983 🔲 WGS 84 🛛	
	ndian 🗌	
Pit	Below-grade tank	
Type: Drilling Production Disposal Workover Emergency	Volume: bbl Type of fluid:	
Lined 🛛 Unlined 🗌	Construction material:	
Liner type: Synthetic 🛛 Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay []	Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes	If not, explain why not.
Pit Volume: ~2,000 bbl		
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.) ~125'bgs	Less than 50 feet	(20 points)
	50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet	(10 points) 0
	100 feet or more	(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	(20 points)
	No	(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	(20 points)
	200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet	(10 points) 0
	1000 feet or more	(0 points)
	Ranking Score (Total Points)	0

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: (check the onsite box if your are burying in place) onsite in offsite in the facility in the facility offsite in t

Additional Comments: This pit is closed consistent with the "ChevronTexaco Drilling and Reserve Pit Closure General Plan" that is consistent with the NMOCD Pit and Below-Grade Tank Guidelines, November 1, 2004 as promulgated under NMOCD Rule 50 (19.15.2.50 NMAC).

Method of Closure: Insitu burial.

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 \square , a general permit \square , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan \square .

Date: 1-10-06 Printed Name/Title LARRY RIDENOUZ OPERATIONS REP 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:	
Printed Name/Title GARY W. WINK STAFF MGR Signatu	ire_Laul W. Wink Date: 2/6/D6



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