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District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr, Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

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

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Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

Type of action Registration of a pit or below-grade tank ☐ Closure of a pit or below-grade tank ☒

Operator Mewbourne Oil Company Telephone: 505-393-5905 e-mail address: rterrell@valornet.com  
Address: P.O Box 5270, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240  
Facility or well name Paloma 28 Federal Com No. 001 API # 30-025-38658 U/L or Qtr/Qtr E Sec 28 T 20S R 36E  
County Lea Latitude N32°32'46.6" Longitude W103°21'55.3" NAD. 1927 ☒ 1983 ☐  
Surface Owner. Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☐

Pit

Type: Drilling ☒ Production ☐ Disposal ☐  
Workover ☐ Emergency ☐  
Lined ☒ Unlined ☐  
Liner type Synthetic ☒ Thickness 12 mil Clay  
Pit Volume 24000

Below-grade tank

Volume: bbl Type of fluid:   
Construction material   
Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes ☐ If not, explain why not.

WTR 120'

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)	
	100 feet or more	( 0 points)	0
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)	
	1000 feet or more	( 0 points)	0
Ranking Score (Total Points)			0 points

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 you are burying in place) onsite ☒ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of facility (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered No ☒ Yes ☐ If yes, show depth below ground surface ft and attach sample results (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

Additional Comments Insitu burial - "stiffened" drill cuttings and contaminated soils will be entombed in a burial cell lined and capped with 20mil liner per NMOCD guidelines. Three foot of clean soil will be placed on top and reseeded per BLM guidelines Soil samples will be taken and sent to an approved lab for official results NMOCD will be contacted with samples results prior to backfilling

This pit was closed on 3/20/08

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: 03-20-08

Printed Name/Title Shelly J. Tucker - Talon/LPE - Project Manager Signature Shelly J. Tucker

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

Approval.

Printed Name/Title Signature ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER Date: 4.4.08



March 27, 2008

Chris Williams  
NMOCD District 1 Office  
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RE: Paloma 28 Federal Com 001 - Final Pit Closure

**Paloma 28 Federal Com 001**  
API: 30-025-38658  
Sec 28-T20S-R36E  
1830'FNL & 660'FWL

Depth to Ground Water: 100-125'  
Planned Analytical Testing: Chlorides  
Site Ranking Score: 0 (zero)  
Primary Land Use: Ranching and Oil & Gas  
Production

Pursuant to Pit Rule 50 of the New Mexico Oil Conservation District of the State of New Mexico regulatory requirement for pit closure, please accept the following documentation for final closure of the drilling pit for the aforementioned location.

An Insitu burial trench was excavated and lined with 12mil liner. All drill cuttings were stiffened and transferred to the lined Insitu trench. Upon transferring all pit contents to the lined burial trench, field tests were performed on the soil within in the confines of the original drill pit. The field results of chloride delineation of the impacted material are as follows (a diagram has also been attached):

Q1	8'-100mg/kg	Q2	8' - 100mg/kg	Q3	8' -100mg/kg
Q4	8' -100mg/kg				

After field tests were performed, Chris Williams of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) was contacted. Approval for closure was granted without any stipulations.

Pursuant to NMOCD Pit Rule 50, a 20mil liner was placed on top of the Insitu trench to seal in the impacted soils and the stiffened drill cuttings. The pit area was backfilled with clean native material and contoured to the surrounding terrain.

Soil samples were collected, prepared and packaged per EPA guidelines and forwarded to Trace Analysis in Lubbock, Texas for official analytical testing. Please find the official analytical results attached hereto.

Please review the attached documentation and contact me at 505-706-9121 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Shelly J. Tucker  
Project Manager  
Talon/LPE

Mewbourne Oil Company – Paloma 28 Federal 001

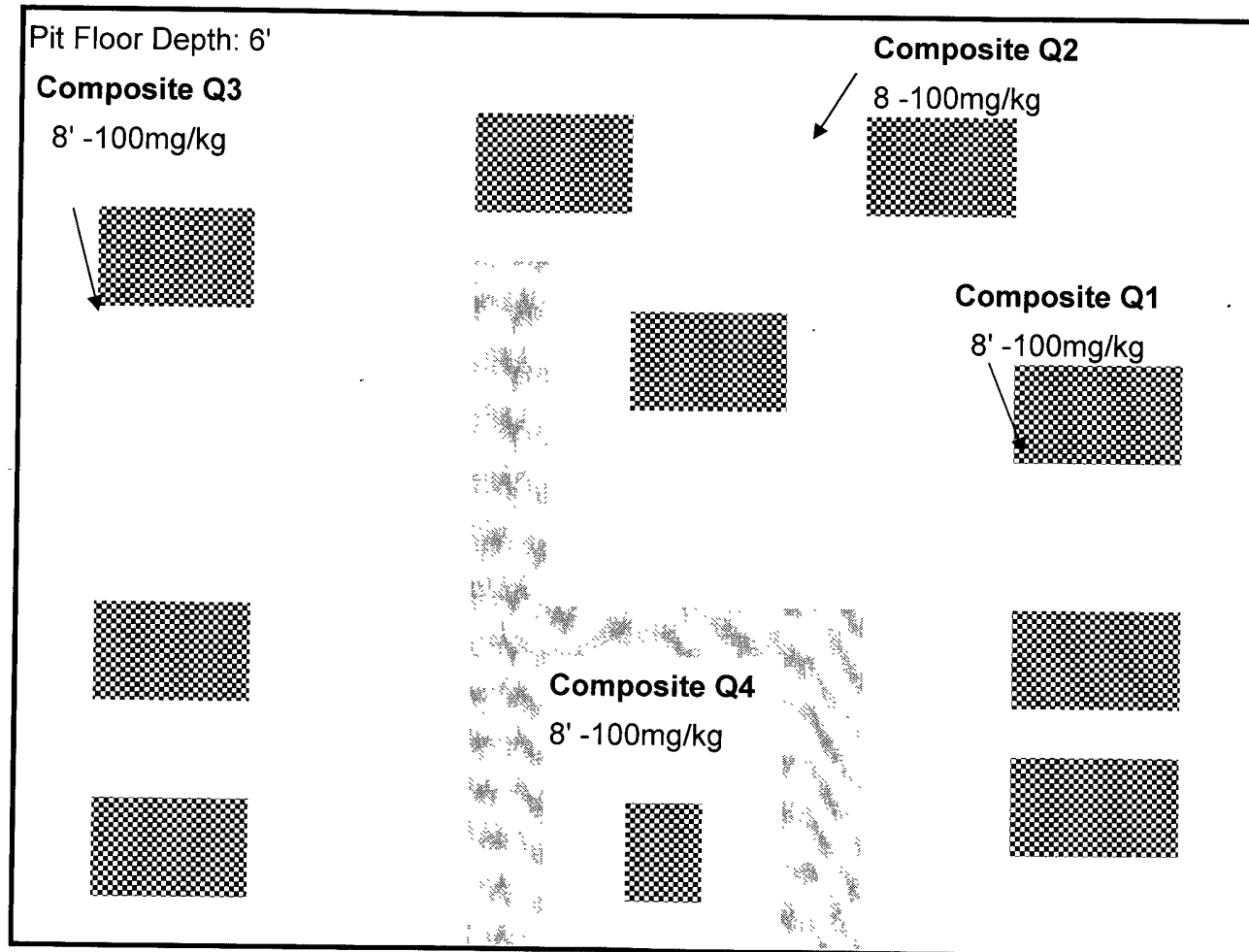
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Paloma 28 Federal Com 001  
Field Results  
Floor 03/18/08



NORTH

Lined  
Burial  
Trench



## Summary Report

Shelly Tucker  
Talon LPE-Hobbs  
318 E Taylor  
Hobbs, NM, 88240

Report Date: March 27, 2008

Work Order: 8032520



Project Location: Lea County, NM  
Project Name: Paloma 28-1  
Project Number: MEWBOU015PIT

Sample	Description	Matrix	Date Taken	Time Taken	Date Received
154561	Q4-8'	soil	2008-03-18	17:00	2008-03-25
154562	Q3-8'	soil	2008-03-18	16:40	2008-03-25
154563	Q2-8'	soil	2008-03-18	16:20	2008-03-25
154564	Q1-8'	soil	2008-03-18	16:00	2008-03-25

**Sample: 154561 - Q4-8'**

Param	Flag	Result	Units	RL
Chloride		<100	mg/Kg	2.00

**Sample: 154562 - Q3-8'**

Param	Flag	Result	Units	RL
Chloride		<100	mg/Kg	2.00

**Sample: 154563 - Q2-8'**

Param	Flag	Result	Units	RL
Chloride		<100	mg/Kg	2.00

**Sample: 154564 - Q1-8'**

Param	Flag	Result	Units	RL
Chloride		<100	mg/Kg	2.00