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SURPACE DAMAGE RELEASE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF LEA

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT, The Millerd Deck Butsie, d/o Bank of America, N. A., Trustee of the Millard Deck Texternations Trust under the Last Will and Texternet of Millard Deck, P. O. Box 270, Midland, Texas 79702, (hereinadher reflerred to at "OWNER."), is the current sufface owner of the PRIVATELY OWNED lands herein described below which are located in the Bunkes Area in Las County, New Meedon. For and in consideration of the sum of Texterimental Decks area in Las County, New Meedon. For and in consideration of the sum of Texterimental Decks area in Las County, New Meedon. For and in consideration of the sum of Texterimental Decks area in Las County, New Meedon. For and in consideration of the sum of Texterimental Decks area in 100 (Deckstream) to be paid by Apacho Corporation of 5120 Yele St. # Two Warma Piece, Suite 1500, Tules Ok. 74136 (hereinsfter referred to as "OPERATOR"), the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, OWNER does hereby RHLEASE and DISCHARGH OPERATOR, its complexes, agents, countraters, successes and acaigus, from any and all dams, demends and causes of action for databaset, injuries, demenges and losses of whetecover nature that have been caused or will be caused to the surface of the Subject Property from or in connection with the drilling and/or completion of the following well (hereinsfter called "Subject Weil").

> West Blinsby Drinkard Unit # 106 2310° FHL & 2310° FHL Section 8-7218-8378 Las County New Mexico

In addition Operator agrees to pay the sum of \$500.00 for building 330 feet (20 rods @ \$25.00 per rod) of new access road to the above listed walls.

It is understood that the consideration for this release does not cover demogras for the laying of flowlines or nowedhees over the Bubject Property.

This Release is intended to cover all disruption of ranch operations due to surface disruption, including but not limited to, all crops, timber and great demaged or destroyed in connection with the above described activities.

OPHRATOR shall conduct all operations in a good and workman like manager and shall use all presentions to provent may demages to said kind over the damages acatemplated herein. In the event that the well proves to be non-productive and has to be plugged and abandoned OPHRATOR agrees to restore the surface at close as reasonably possible to its condition prior to commencement of defining operations.

LESSEE agrees to account to any other party (including the surface tenant) who may be entitled to receive any portion of the afbeamentioned sum, and to indemnify and hold harmless OPHRATCR, its successors and assigns from any claim by any other party for damages to the above described lands and improvements, crops or other things situated thereon. LESSEE agrees to here all of the terms and conditions of this damage settlement confidential.

OWNER, FOR ITSHELF, ITS SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, REFLOXEES, AGENTS, PRINCIPLES, SERVANTS, HEIRS, EXECUTORS, PERSONAL REFRESHVATIVES AND ADMINISTRATORS, HERREY RELEASES AND FOREVER DESCHARGES APACHE AND ALL WORKING INTEREST OWNERS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE PARENT CORFORATIONS, SUBSIDIARY CORFORATIONS, ASSOCIATED AND AFFILIATED CORFORATIONS AND/OR ENTITIES, AND ALL OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, FRINCILPALS, SERVANTS, SUCCESSORS, AMMINISTRATORS, ACTIONSY, ENECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS FROM EVERY CLAIM, DAMAGE, ATTORNEYS FEES, ENFENDES, COSTS, DEMANDS, RIGHTS, AND/OR CADE OF ACTION OF ANY KIND FOR SUBJECT WELLS ON THE SUBJECT FROMEWY.

This agreement shell be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective heirs, successors and assigns.

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AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED this 12 day of and 2009

APACEDE CORPORATION

By:

HAROLD SWAIN Central Region Drilling Department

BANK OF AMERICA, N. A. TRUSTEE OF THE MILLARD DECK TESTAMENTARY TRUST UNDER THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF MILLARD DECK, DATED AUGUST 28, 1975

By: Tim Wol Tine



EXHIBIT "A"

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VICINITY MAP



SEC. 8_TWP. 18-S_RGE. 28-E___

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SURVEY N.M.P.M. COUNTY LEA STATE NEW MEXICO DESCRIPTION 2310' FSL & 2310' FEL ELEVATION 3529' APACHE CORPORATION OPERATOR CORPORATION LEASEWEST BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT



LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



EUNICE, N.M.

APPLICATION TO DRILL

APACHE CORPORATION W. BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT #106 UNIT "J" SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM

In response to questions asked under Section II of Bulliten NTL-6, the following information on the above will be provided.

- 1. LOCATION: 2310' FSL & 2310' FEL SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM
- 2. ELEVATION ABOVE SEA LEVEL: 3529' GL
- 3. GEOLOGICAL NAME OF SURFACE FORMATION: Quaternery Aeolian Deposits.
- 4. DRILLING TOOLS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT: Conventional rotary drilling rig using drilling mud as a circulating medium for solids removal from hole.
- 5. PROPOSED DRILLING DEPTH: 7000'

6. ESTIMATED TOPS OF GEOLOGICAL FORMATIONS:

	Rustler Anhyrite	1317'	Grayburg	3752.	Tubb	6233 ' -
,	Yates	2718	San Andres	4042'	Drinkard	6556 '
	Seven Rivers	2932'	Glorieta	5227 '	Abo	6836'
	Queen	3473'	Blinebry Mk.	5728'	TD	7000 '

7. POSSIBLE MINERAL BEARING FORMATIONS:

Blinebry	011
Tubb	011
Drinkard	011

8. CASING PROGRAM:

	HOLE SIZE	INTERVAL	OD OF CASING	WEIGHT	THREAD	COLLAR	GRADE	CONDITION	_
~	26"	0-40	20"	NA	NA	NA	Conductor	r New	
See COA -	121	0-1400'	8 5/8"	24#	8-R	ST&C	J-55	New	
	7 7/8"	0-7000'	5½"	17#	8-R	LT&C	J-55 &L-80	New	

Casing Design Factors:

Burst 1.0 Collapse 1.125 Body Yield 1.5 Joint Strength: 8-R 1.8 Buttress 1.6

APPLICATION TO DRILL

APACHE CORPORATION W. BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT #106 UNIT "J" SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM

9. CASING SETTING DEPTHS AND CEMENTING:

20"	Conductor	Set 40' of 20" conductor pipe and cement to surface with Redi-mix. Set OPA
8 5/8"	Surface	Run and set 1400' of 8 5/8" 24# J-55 ST&C casing. Cement with 450 Sx. of Class "C" Premium Plus cement + 3% Salt, + 0.25# Cello Flakes/Sx., + 3#/Sx. LCM/Sx. + 0.005gps FP-6L, + 4% Bentonite, Yield 1.7, tail in with 200 Sx. of Class "C" cement + 2% CaCl., + 0.25# Flocele/Sx. + 0.005% gps FP-L6, Yield 1.3, circulate cement to surface.
5 <u>1</u> "	Production	Run and set 7000' of 5½" casing as follows: Bottom 6000' 5½" 17# J-55 LT&C, top 1000' 5½" 17# L-80 LT&C. Cement with 900 Sx. of 35/65 Class "C" POZ, cement + 5% Salt, + 0.25# Flocele/Sx, + 0.005% FP-L6 gps FP-L6, + 0.5% FL-52A, + 0.5% BA-10A, + 3#/Sx Flocele/Sx, + 6% Bentonite, Yield 1.9, tail in with 350 Sx of 50/50 Class "C" POZ + 5% Salt, + 0.2% FL-25, + 0.25# FLocele/ Sx., + 3# LCM% x. + 0.6% FL-25, + 0.0005% gps FP-L6, + 2% Bentonite, Yield 1.3 circulate cement to surfacer

10. PRESSURE CONTROL EQUIPMENT:

Exhibit "I" shows a 900 Series 3000 PSI working pressure B.O.P. consisting of an annular bag type preventor, middle blind rams, bottom pipe rams. This B.O.P. will be nippled up on the 8 5/8" casing. The B.O.P. will be tested by a third party at 2000 PSI, maxium surface pressure is not expected to exceed 2000 PSI, BHP is calculated to be approximately 3080 PSI. The B.O.P. will be worked at least once in each 24 hout period and the blind rams will be worked when the drill pipe is out of the hole on trips. Exhibit "I" also shows a 3000 PSI choke manifold with a 3" blowdown line. Full opening stabbing valve and kelly cock will be on derrick floor in case of need. No abnormal pressures of temperatures are expected in this well no nearby wells have encountered any problems.

APPLICATION TO DRILL

APACHE CORPORATION W. BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT #106 UNIT "J" SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM

11. PROPOSED MUD CIRCULATING SYSTEM:

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DEPTH	MUD WT.	VISC.	FLUID LOSS	TYPE SYSTEM
40-1400	8.6-9.2	28-34	NC	Fresh water Spud Mud, add paper to control seepage, high viscosity sweeps to clean hole pH 9.0-9.5
1400-6500'	10.0-10.2	28–32	NC	Brine water add paper to control seepage and high viscosity sweeps to clean hole, pH 9.5-10.
6500-TD	10.0-10.2	36–42	8-10 cc or less	Same as above but add starch to water loss, add caustic soda to pH at 9.5-10

THIS WILL BE A CLOSED MUD SYSTEM

Sufficient mud materilas will be kept on location at all times in order to combat last circulation, or unexpected kicks. In order to run open hole logs and casing the above mud properties may have to be altered to meet these needs. APACHE CORPORATION W. BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT #106 UNIT "J" SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM

12. LOGGING, CORING, AND TESTING PROGRAM:

- A. Open hole logs: Dual Laterolog, CNL, Litho Density, MSFL, Sonic, Gamma Ray, Caliper from TD back to the 8 5/8" casing shoe.
- B. Case hole logs: CNL, Gamma Ray from 8 5/8" casing shoe back to surface.
- C. No mud logger, cores, or DST"s are planned for this well.

13. POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

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No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. There is no known presence of H²S in this area. If H²S is encountered the operator will comply with the provisions of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 6. No lost circulation is expected to occur. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Estimated BHP <u>3080 est</u> PSI, and Estimated BHT 115°

14. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE AND DURATION OF OPERATION:

Road and location construction will begin after the BLM has approved the APD. Anticipated spud date will be as soon after BLM approval and as soon as a rig will be available. Move in operation and drilling is expected to take 25 days. If production casing is run then an additional 30 days will be needed to complete well and construct surface facilities and/or lay flowlines in order to place well on production.

15. OTHER FACETS OF OPERATIONS:

After running casing, cased hole Gamma Ray, Neutron Collar logs will be run from TD back to all possible productive zones. The Blin, Tubb, Drink formation will be perforated and stimulated in order to establish production. The well will be swab tested and potentialed as an oil well.

WEST BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT # 106 DRILLING PROGRAM

Surface Location

2310' FSL & 2310' FEL SE ¼ of Section 8, Unit Letter J, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico

The geological surface formation is recent Permian with quaternary alluvium and other surficial deposits.

Estimated Tops of Geological Markers:

FORMATION	DEPTH
Quaternary alluvials	Surface
~ Rustler	1317'
Yates	2718'
Seven Rivers	2932'
-Queen	3473'
_ Grayburg	3752'
_San Andres	4042'
Glorieta	5227'
Blinebry Marker	5728'
/ Tubb	6233'
- Drinkard	6556'
- Abo	6836'
✓ TD	7000'

Estimated depths at which water, oil, gas, or other mineral-bearing formations are expected to be encountered:

<u>SUBSTANCE</u>	<u>DEPTH</u>
Oil	Blinebry@ 5728'
	Tubb@ 6233'
	Drinkard@ 6556'
Gas	None anticipated
Fresh Water	None anticipated

All fresh water and prospectively valuable minerals (as described by BLM) encountered during drilling will be recorded by depth and adequately protected. All oil and gas shows within zones of correlative rights will be tested to determine commercial potential.

Proposed Casing Program

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		CASING		WEIGH			ESTIMATED TOC -
	HOL	SIZE		<u>T PER</u>		<u>SACKS</u>	REMARKS
	<u>E</u>	OD / ID	<u>GRAD</u>	<u>FOOT</u>	<u>DEPTH</u>	<u>CEMEN</u>	
~	SIZE		<u> </u>			<u>T</u>	
See -	12 ¼"	8 5/8"	J55	24#	1,400'	650	TOC - Surface
CUM		8.097"	STC				8.9 ppg Water-based
							Mud;
							89 ° F Est. Static
							Temp;
							83 ° F Est. Circ.
							Temp.
	7 7/8"	5 1/2"	L80	17#	0 –	1,250	TOC – Surface
		4.892"	LTC		1,000'		Float Collar set @
							6,960'
		5 1/2"	J55	17#	1,000 -		10.10 ppg Brine
		4.892"	LTC		7,000'		Mud;
				`			126 ° F Est. Static
							Temp;
							115 ° F Est. Circ.
							Temp.

Proposed Cement Program:

	LEAD SLURRY	TAIL SLURRY	DISPLACEMENT
CASING			
8 5/8"	450 sacks Premium Class	200 sacks Class C Cement +	80.3 bbls Fresh
	C Cmt + 3% bwoc Sodium	2% bwoc Calcium Chloride +	Water @ 8.33 ppg
	Chloride + 0.25 lbs/sack	0.25 lbs/sack Cello Flake +	0 110
	Cello Flake + 3 lbs/sack	0.005 gps FP-L6+56.3%	
	LCM-1 + 0.005 gps FP-6L	Fresh Water, 270 Vol. Cu Ft	
	+ 4% bwoc Bentonite Gel	1.3 Vol. Factor	
	796 Vol Cu Ft.,	Slurry Weight (ppg) 14.8	
	1.7 Vol. Factor	Slurry Yield (cf/sack) 1.35	
	Slurry Weight 13.5 ppg	Amount of Mix Water	
	Slurry yield 1.77 cf/sack	(gps)6.35	
	Amount of Water mix 9.02	Estimated Pumping Time –	
	gps	70 BC (HH:MM)-2:33	
	Estimated Pumping Time - 70		
	<u>BC (HH:MM) 4:18</u>		

<u>8 5/8" Ca</u>	asing: Vol	ume Calculations:			
1,400 ft	x	0.4127 cf/ft with	75% excess	=	1,010.7 cf
42 ft	х	0.3576 cf/ft with	0% excess	=	15.7 cf (inside pipe)
		TOTAL SLURRY	VOLUME	=	954.2 cf
				=	182.6 bbls

Spacer

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20.0 bbls Water @ 8.33 ppg

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CASING		SLURRY			L SLURRY		DISPLACEN	<u>MENT</u>
5 1/2"	900 sacks (-	350	sacks (50:50) Poz (Fly	161.7 bbls 2%	Kcl
	(Fly Ash):		Ash):Class	C Cement +	5%	Water @ 8.	.43 ppg
	Cement $+5$	% bwow	bwo	ow Sodi	um Chloride		Ŭ	110
	Sodium Ch	loride + 0.25	+0.2	2% bwo	c FL-25 + 0	.25		
	lbs/sack Ce	llo Flake +	lb/s	ack Cel	lo Flake + 3			
* **	0.005 gps F	P-L6 + 0.5%	b lb/s	ack LCI	M-1 + 0.6%	bwoc		
	bwoc FL-5	2A + 0.5%	FL-	25 + 0.0)05 gps FP-I	.6 +		
	bwoc BA-1	0A + 3 lb/sa			entonite			
	LCM-1 + 6	% bwoc		455	Vol. Cu Ft			
	Bentonite				Vol. Factor			
	1,710 V	ol. Cu Ft	Slu	rv Weis	ght (ppg) 14.	2		
		ol. Factor			d (cf/sack) 1			
	Slurry Weig	ght (ppg) 12.		Amount of Mix Water (gps)				
		d (cf/sack) 1.		5.55;				
	Amount of	• • •		Estimated Pumping Time –				
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1400	Ĥ				ne Calculatio			
3800			926 cf/ft		0% exces	-	269.5 cf	
1800					100% exce		1,381.9 cf	
40			733 cf/ft		50% excess		467.6cf	
40	11		305 cf/ft		0% exces	s =	5.2 cf(insid	le pipe)
		TOTAL SI	LUKRY	VOLU	ME	=	2,124.2 cf	
							78.3 bbls	

All slurries will be tested prior to loading to confirm thickening times and a lab report furnished to Apache. Fluid loss will be tested and reported on slurries with fluid loss additives. Lab test report will be furnished prior to pumping cement.

Proposed Pressure Control Equipment

Will install on the 8 5/8" surface casing a 9" x 3000 psi WP Double Ram BOP with Annular, and will test using a 3rd party tester before drilling out of surface casing. <u>As maximum anticipated</u> <u>surface pressures do not exceed 2,000 psi, we will test the BOPE as a 2,000 psi system.</u> Bottom hole pressure calculations are included below. See Exhibit I, <u>3,000 psi BOPE</u> attached.

Bottom Hole Pressure Calculations

The maximum anticipated bottom hole pressure is calculated y multiplying the depth of the well by 0.44. The maximum anticipated surface pressure is calculated assuming one half of the hole is evacuated of the drilling fluid required to control the maximum anticipated bottom hole pressure.

For the West Blinebry Drinkard Unit # 106 the maximum anticipated bottom hole pressure is 7,000' x 0.44 psi/ft. = 3,080 psi.

The maximum anticipated surface pressure assuming a hole where one half of the mud required to contain the bottom hole pressure has been evacuated is 3,080 psi - (3,080 psi/2) - 1,540 psi.



EXHIBIT "G" RIG LAY OUT PLAT

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APACHE CORPORATION W BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT #106 UNIT "J" SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM

EXHIBIT I

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EXHIBIT "H" SKETCH OF BOP & CHOKE MANIFOLD APACHE CORPORATION W BLINEBRY DRINKARD UNIT #106 UNIT "J" SECTION 8 T21S-R37E LEA CO. NM

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Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan For Drilling/Workover/Facility

If at this time the supervising person determines the release of H2S cannot be contained to the site location and the general public is in harms way he will take the necessary steps to protect the workers and the public.

EMERGENCY CALL LIST: (Start and continue until ONE of these people has been contacted)

	OFFICE	MOBILE	HOME
Harold Swain	432-527-3311	575-390-4368	
Danny Chaney	405-574-4249		
Sam Hampton	918-491-4954	918-978-0121	

EMERGENCY RESPONSE NUMBERS:

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State Police State Police	Eddy County Lea County		575 -748-9718 575 -392-5588
Sheriff Sheriff	Eddy County Lea County		575-746-2701
Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance)	Eddy County Lea County	Eunice	911 or 505-746-2701 911 or 505-394-3258
Emergency Response	Eddy County SERC Lea County		575-476-9620
Artesia Police Dept Artesia Fire Dept			575746-5001 575746-5001
Carlsbad Police Dept Carlsbad Fire Dept			575- 385-2111 575 385-3125

EMERGENCY CALL LIST (CONT.)

Loco Hills Police Dept		575- 677-2349
Jal Police Dept Jal Fire Dept Jal Ambulance		575395-2501 575395-2221 575395-2221
Eunice Police Dept Eunice Fire Dept Eunice Ambulance		575– 394–0112 575–-394–3258 575–-394–3258
Hobbs Police Dept Hobbs Fire Dept		575397-3365 575397-9308
NMOCD	District 1 (Lea, Roosevelt, Curry) District 2 (Eddy, Chavez)	575393-6161 575748-1283
Lea County Information		575393-8203
Callaway Safety	Eddy/Lea Counties	575392-2973
BJ Services	Artesia Hobbs	575746-3140 575 <u>392-5556</u>
Halliburton	Artesia Hobbs	1-800-523-2482 1-800-523-2482
Wild Well Control	Midland Mobile	432-550-6202 432-553-1166

Proposed Mud Program

<u>DEPTH</u> 0 – 1,400'	MUD PROPERTIES Weight: 8.6 – 9.2 ppg Viscosity: 28 – 34 sec/qt pH: 9.0 – 9.5 Filtrate: NC	<u>REMARKS</u> Spud with a Conventional Gel/Lime "Spud mud". Use gel and native solids to maintain a sufficient viscosity to keep the hole clean. Mix Paper one-two sacks every 100 feet drilled to minimize wall cake build up on water sands and to control seepage loss. Every 500' sweep the hole with 50 bbls of pre-mixed freshwater, gel and lime having a viscosity of 45-50 sec/qt.
1400' – 6500'	Weight: 10 10.0 – 10.2 ppg Viscosity: 28 – 32 sec/qt pH: 9.5 -10 Filtrate: NC	Drill out from under the surface casing with Brine Water. Paper should be added at 2 bags after every 100' drilled to control seepage losses. Use Lime to maintain pH at 9-10. Mix one gallon of Anco Drill N at flowline every 250 feet drilled to promote solids settling
6500' – TD	Weight: 10.0 – 10.2 ppg Viscosity: 36 – 42 sec/qt pH: 9.5 -10 Filtrate: 8-10 cm/30 min	From 6500' to Total Depth, it is recommended the system be restricted to the working pits. Adjust and maintain pH with Caustic Soda. Treat system with WT-22 @ 0.1 ppb. Mix Starch (yellow) to control API filtrate at 8-10 cc. Sweep hole with Anco Drill N every 100'.

Auxiliary Equipment:

9" x 3000 psi double BOP/blind & pipe ram 41/2" x 3000 psi Kelly valve 9" x 3000 psi mud cross – H_2S detector on production hole Gate-type safety valve 3" choke line from BOP to manifold 2" adjustable chokes – 3" blowdown line

Logging Program

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The following logs may be run:

CNL, Litho Density, GR, CAL, Dual Laterolog/MSFL, Sonic from TD-1400' CNL, GR from TD-Surface

Mudlogging Program:

There are no plans to utilize a mud logging service on this well.

Potential Hazards

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. In the event abnormal pressures are encountered, however, the proposed mud program will be modified to increase the mud-weight. The estimated maximum bottom hole pressure is 3,080 psi., estimated BHT is 115° F. No H₂S is anticipated.

Anticipated Starting Date

When drilling rig becomes available.

July 24, 2003

WELL CONTROL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

I. GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

Our objective is to ensure that during an emergency, a predetermined procedure is followed so that prompt decisions can be made based on accurate information.

The best way to handle an emergency is with an experienced organization set up for the sole purpose of solving the problem. The Well Control Emergency Response Team was organized to handle dangerous and expensive well control problems. The team is structured such that each individual can contribute the most from his area of expertise. Key decision-makers are determined prior to an emergency to avoid confusion about who is in charge.

If the well is flowing uncontrolled at the surface or subsurface, the Emergency Response Team will be mobilized. The Team is customized for the people currently on the Apache staff. Staff changes may require a change in the plan.

II. EMERGENCY PROCEDURE ON DRILLING OR COMPLETION OPERATIONS

A. In event of an emergency the Drilling Foreman or Tool-pusher will immediately contact only one of the following starting with the first name listed.

Danny Chaney Ross Murphy Tom Voytovich	<u>Office</u> (405) 222-5040 (918) 491-4834 (918) 491-4901	<u>Home</u> (918) 749-9454 (918) 299-8820	<u>Mobile</u> (405)574-2107 (918) 691-9493 (918) 381-0882		
Emergency Telephone Conference Room:		(888) 896-4185 and input code: 344855			

This one phone call will free the Drilling Foreman to devote his full time to securing the safety of personnel and equipment. This call will initiate the process to mobilize the Well Control Emergency Response Team. Apache maintains an Emergency Telephone Conference Room in the Houston office. This room is available for use by the Mid-Continent Region. The room has 50 separate telephone lines.

- B. The Apache employee contacted by the Drilling Foreman will begin contacting the rest of the team. If Ross Murphy is out of contact, Tom Voytovich will be notified.
- C. If a member of the Emergency Response Team is away from the job, he must be available for call back. Telephone numbers should be left with secretaries or a key decision-maker.
- D. Apache's reporting procedure for spills or releases of oil or hazardous materials will be implemented when spills or releases have occurred or are probable.

Hydrogen Sulfide Training

I.

All personnel, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, will receive training from a qualified instructor in the following areas prior to commencing drilling operations on this well:

- 1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H_2S) .
- 2. The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
- 3. The proper use of H_2S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures, and prevailing winds.
- 4. The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.

In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:

- 1. The effects of H₂S on metal components. If high tensile tubulars are to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
- 2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
- 3. The contents and requirements of the H₂S Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan.

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H_2S zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly H_2S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H_2S Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan. This plan shall be available at the well site. All personnel will be required to carry documentation that they have received the proper training.

II. <u>H₂S Safety Equipment and Systems</u>

- 1. Well Control Equipment that will be available and installed if H2S is encountered:
 - A. Flare line with electronic igniter or continuous pilot.
 - B. Choke manifold with a minimum of one remote choke.
 - C. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing unit.
 - D. Auxiliary equipment to include annular preventer, mud-gas separator, rotating head, and flare gun with flares.
- 2. Protective equipment for essential personnel:
 - A. Mark II Surviveair 30-minute units located in the dog house and at briefing areas.
- 3. H₂S detection and monitoring equipment:
 - A. Two portable H₂S monitors positioned on location for best coverage and response. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H₂S levels of 20 ppm are reached.
 - B. One portable S02 monitor positioned near flare line.
- 4. Visual warning systems:
 - A. Wind direction indicators.
 - B. Caution/Danger signs shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted a high visibility yellow with black lettering of sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used when appropriate.
- 5. Mud program:
 - A. The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H₂S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices, and the use of H₂S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H₂S-bearing zones.
 - B. A mud-gas separator and an H_2S gas buster will be utilized if H2S is encountered.
- 6. Metallurgy:
 - A. All drill strings, casings, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventers, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H₂S service.
 - B. All elastomers used for packing and seals shall be H_2S trim.
- 7. Communication:
 - A. Radio communications in company vehicles including cellular telephone and 2-way radio.

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PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	Apache Corporation
LEASE NO.:	NM-90161
WFLL NAME & NO.:	West Blinebry Drinkard Unit #106
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	2310' FSL & 2310' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	I'FL&'FL
LOCATION:	Section 08, T. 21 S., R 37 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Lea County, New Mexico

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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The approval of the Application For Permit To Drill (APD) is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations: 43 Code of Federal Regulations 3160, the lease terms, Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notices To Lessees, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Rules, National Historical Preservation Act As Amended, and instructions and orders of the Authorized Officer. Any request for a variance shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Report on Wells.

II. PERMIT EXPIRATION

If the permit terminates prior to drilling and drilling cannot be commenced within 60 days after expiration, an operator is required to submit Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, requesting surface reclamation requirements for any surface disturbance. However, if the operator will be able to initiate drilling within 60 days after the expiration of the permit, the operator must have set the conductor pipe in order to allow for an extension of 60 days beyond the expiration date of the APD. (Filing of a Sundry Notice is required for this 60 day extension.)

III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource discovered by the operator or by any person working on the operator's behalf shall immediately report such findings to the Authorized Officer. The operator is fully accountable for the actions of their contractors and subcontractors. The operator shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery shall be made by the Authorized Officer to determine the appropriate actions that shall be required to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values of the discovery. The operator shall be held responsible for the cost of the proper mitigation measures that the Authorized Officer assesses after consultation with the operator on the evaluation and decisions of the discovery. Any unauthorized collection or disturbance of cultural or paleontological resources may result in a shutdown order by the Authorized Officer.

IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS

The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

V. CONSTRUCTION

A. NOTIFICATION

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Hobbs Field Station at (575) 393-3612 at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad.

When construction operations are being conducted on this well, the operator shall have the approved APD and Conditions of Approval (COA) on the well site and they shall be made available upon request by the Authorized Officer.

B. TOPSOIL

E.

There is no measurable soil on this well pad to stockpile. No topsoil stockpile is required.

C. RESERVE PITS

The operator has applied for a closed-loop system. The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

D. FEDERAL MINERAL MATERIALS PIT

If the operator elects to surface the access road and/or well pad, mineral materials extracted during construction of the reserve pit may be used for surfacing the well pad and access road and other facilities on the lease.

Payment shall be made to the BLM prior to removal of any additional federal mineral materials from any site other than the reserve pit. Call the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972.

WELL PAD SURFACING

Surfacing of the well pad is not required.

If the operator elects to surface the well pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

The well pad shall be constructed in a manner which creates the smallest possible surface disturbance, consistent with safety and operational needs.

ON LEASE ACCESS ROADS

Road Width

F.

The access road shall have a driving surface that creates the smallest possible surface disturbance and does not exceed fourteen (14) feet in width. The maximum width of surface disturbance, when constructing the access road, shall not exceed thirty (30) feet.

Surfacing

Surfacing material is not required on the new access road driving surface. If the operator elects to surface the new access road or pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

Where possible, no improvements should be made on the unsurfaced access road other than to remove vegetation as necessary, road irregularities, safety issues, or to fill low areas that may sustain standing water.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require surfacing of any portion of the access. road at any time deemed necessary. Surfacing may be required in the event the road deteriorates, erodes, road traffic increases, or it is determined to be beneficial for future field development. The surfacing depth and type of material will be determined at the time of notification.

Crowning

Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

Ditching

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

Turnouts

Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:



Drainage

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outsloping and insloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

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A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm of 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm shall be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch.



All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval are variable for lead-off ditches and shall be determined according to the formula for spacing intervals of lead-off ditches, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %);

Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches

Example - On a 4% road slope that is 400 feet long, the water flow shall drain water into a lead-off ditch. Spacing interval shall be determined by the following formula:

400 foot road with 4% road slope: 400' + 100' = 200' lead-off ditch interval 4%

Culvert Installations

Appropriately sized culvert(s) shall be installed at the deep waterway channel flow crossing.

Cattleguards

An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).

Any existing cattleguard(s) on the access road shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguard(s) that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

A gate shall be constructed and fastened securely to H-braces.

Fence Requirement

Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

Public Access

Public access on this road shall not be restricted by the operator without specific written approval granted by the Authorized Officer.

Figure 1 - Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections



VI, DRILLING

A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests
 - **Lea County**

Call the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240, (575) 393-3612

 A Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the Blinebry formation. As a result, the Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.

2. Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.

B. CASING

Changes to the approved APD casing and cement program require submitting a sundry and receiving approval prior to work. Failure to obtain approval prior to work will result in an Incident of Non-Compliance being issued.

Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.

Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater for all casing strings. Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.

No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.

Possible lost circulation in the Glorietta formation. Possible water flows in the Blinebry.

- 1. The 8-5/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 1320 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) and cemented to the surface.
 - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with a surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement.
 - b. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.
 - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
 - d. If cement falls back, a remedial cement job will be done prior to drilling out that string.
- 2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:

Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office.

If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

C. PRESSURE CONTROL

1.

All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.

Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be 2000 (2M) psi. Operator is installing a 3M system and testing as a 2M based on bottom hole pressure gradient. 2M system approved.

The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.

a. The tests shall be done by an independent service company.

- b. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
- c. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.
- d. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

D. DRILL STEM TEST

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

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VII. PRODUCTION (POST DRILLING)

WELL STRUCTURES & FACILITIES

Placement of Production Facilities

Production facilities should be placed on the well pad to allow for maximum interim recontouring and revegetation of the well location.

Containment Structures

The containment structure shall be constructed to hold the capacity of the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

Painting Requirement

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color Shale Green, Munsell Soil Color Chart # 5Y 4/2

PIPELINES B. ·

STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES

A copy of the sundry notice and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.

Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.

2. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.

3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, <u>et seq</u>. or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, <u>et seq</u>.) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to activity of the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.

4. The holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. The holder shall be held to a standard of strict liability for damage or injury to the United States resulting from pipe rupture, fire, or spills caused or substantially aggravated by any of the following within the right-of-way or permit area:

Activities of the holder including, but not limited to construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the facility.

Activities of other parties including, but not limited to:

- (1) Land clearing.
- (2) Earth-disturbing and earth-moving work.
- (3) Blasting.

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(4) Vandalism and sabotage.

Acts of God.

The maximum limitation for such strict liability damages shall not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for any one event, and any liability in excess of such amount shall be determined by the ordinary rules of negligence of the jurisdiction in which the damage or injury occurred.

This section shall not impose strict liability for damage or injury resulting primarily from an act of war or from the negligent acts or omissions of the United States.

5. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the pipeline, any oil, salt water, or other pollutant should be discharged from the pipeline system, impacting Federal lands, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such oil, salt water, or other pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge on or affecting Federal lands, or to repair all damages resulting therefrom, on the Federal lands, the Authorized Officer may take such measures as he deems necessary to control and clean up the discharge and restore the area, including, where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder.

6. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to the authorized right-ofway width of 25 feet.

7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation will be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.

8. The holder shall install the pipeline on the surface in such a manner that will minimize suspension of the pipeline across low areas in the terrain. In hummocky of duney areas, the pipeline will be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather then suspended across these features.

9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of <u>24</u> inches under all roads, "two-tracks," and trails. Burial of the pipe will continue for 20 feet on each side of each crossing. The condition of the road, upon completion of construction, shall be returned to at least its former state with no bumps or dips remaining in the road surface.

10. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting of the fence. No permanent gates will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

11. In those areas where erosion control structures are required to stabilize soil conditions, the holder will install such structures as are suitable for the specific soil conditions being encountered and which are in accordance with sound resource management practices.

12. Excluding the pipe, all above-ground structures not subject to safety requirement shall be painted by the holder to blend with the natural color of the landscape. The paint used shall be a color which simulates "Standard Environmental Colors" – **Shale Green**, Munsell Soil Color No. 5Y 4/2; designated by the Rocky Mountain Five State Interagency Committee.

13. The pipeline will be identified by signs at the point of origin and completion of the right-of-way and at all road crossings. At a minimum, signs will state the holder's name, BLM serial number, and the product being transported. Signs will be maintained in a legible condition for the life of the pipeline.

14. The holder shall not use the pipeline route as a road for purposes other than routine maintenance as determined necessary by the Authorized Officer in consultation with the holder. The holder will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that the pipeline route is not used as a roadway.

15. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object)

discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the authorized officer. Holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the authorized officer. An evaluation of the discovery will be made by the authorized officer to determine appropriate cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the authorized officer after consulting with the holder.

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VIII. INTERIM RECLAMATION & RESERVE PIT CLOSURE

INTERIM RECLAMATION

If the well is a producer, interim reclamation shall be conducted on the well site in accordance with the orders of the Authorized Officer. The operator shall submit a Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells (Notice of Intent), Form 3160-5, prior to conducting interim reclamation.

During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo interim reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses.

Operators should work with BLM surface management specialists to devise the best strategies to reduce the size of the location. Any reductions should allow for remedial well operations, as well as safe and efficient removal of oil and gas.

During reclamation, the removal of caliche is important to increasing the success of revegetating the site. Removed caliche may be used for road repairs, fire walls or for building other roads and locations. In order to operate the well or complete workover operations, it may be necessary to drive, park and operate on restored interim vegetation within the previously disturbed area. Disturbing revegetated areas for production or workover operations will be allowed. If there is significant disturbance and loss of vegetation, the area will need to be revegetated. Communicate with the appropriate BLM office for any exceptions/exemptions if needed.

Seed Mixture 2, for Sandy Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)* per acre. There shall be <u>no</u> primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law (s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The see mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (smaller/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed* per acre:

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Plains bris					,		, ' ,	. 2.0) '	

*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed

X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & REHABILITATION REQUIREMENTS

Upon abandonment of the well and/or when the access road is no longer in service the Authorized Officer shall issue instructions and/or orders for surface reclamation and restoration of all disturbed areas.

On private surface/federal mineral estate land the reclamation procedures on the road and well pad shall be accomplished in accordance with the private surface land owner agreement.