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October 16, 2009

Mr. Bob Chesson
Department Of Natural Resources
Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801
Denver CO 80203-2136

RE: Nichols 34, 44-16
Form 27 and Closure Request Cover Letter
Sec.16, T2N, R65W
API 05-123-09945
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Chesson:

On October 1, 2009, an impact from a leaking water vault was discovered at the abovementioned location. Neither surface water nor groundwater was impacted. Remediation activities commenced on October 6, 2009 and concluded on October 12, 2009. Hydrocarbon field kit analysis for soils assisted in the determination of excavated volumes. Approximately 351 cubic yards of impacted soil were hauled to the Noble Energy landfarm in Weld County.

The attached documentation includes a completed Form 27, laboratory analytical results from confirmation soil samples, and site diagram showing sample location and results. Based on the site remedial activities and the attached laboratory analytical results, NEI is requesting that the COGCC consider this location remediated, requiring no further action.

Please contact the NEI environmental department at (970) 785-5025 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Mikel Cox
Environmental Coordinator

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Marty Faraguna
Environmental Specialist