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Re: PetroMex pit Written Order

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To: "Ventling, Catherine" <cventling@blm.gov>

Wed, Aug 21, 2013 at 5:08 PM

Kathy,
Thanks for sharing the Written Order issued to Petro Mex. I would like to be present, if possible, during the sampling event. If/when Petro Mex notifies you of the date, would you please let me know?
Thank you much,
Carlos

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On Wed, Aug 21, 2013 at 3:43 PM, Ventling, Catherine <cventling@blm.gov> wrote:

Hello this is what I sent in a Written Order today for the pits (2) in the 1-2-8-101 well. I wanted you to have for your information. After our discussions our staff had a few further concerns so we addressed a little more in depth those with this Order.

COC60770, Esmeralda Well 1-2-8-101 WO CV13003

This Written Order is issued, in response to a recent approved Sundry Notice and Reclamation Plan, to further clarify the testing requirements of 2 drilling pits on this location.

- 1. The Operator shall notify BLM of pit testing operations at least 48 hours in advance. Operator must receive verbal confirmation that BLM has received notice at least 48 hours in advance. Operations shall occur within the business work week, Monday through Friday excluding holidays.*
- 2. Pit dig/drill testing operations will only be performed with BLM or COGCC representatives present.*

3. *The Operator will test both pits. The operator shall, at a minimum, test the large now backfilled pit in 3 locations. Locations shall be first in the center of pit location, then 25 feet to the right and the left of the center test hole along the long axis of the pit. The operator shall, at a minimum, test the small now backfilled pit in 1 location, at the center.*
4. *Depth of sample holes shall be determined during testing, and will be to a depth to determine the limit of impact is reached. This will be determined by BLM or COGCC representatives.*
5. *Samples shall be taken using industry standard techniques for handling and delivery. A background sample of surrounding undisturbed soils shall be tested. The Operator shall provide BLM copies of the test results from testing lab when complete. BLM suggests the Operator obtain professional expertise from an environmental consultant to ensure proper procedures are followed.*
6. *Pit testing procedures shall be completed no later than September 14, 2013 to facilitate reclamation activities are completed within required timeframes. BLM suggests pit testing be performed ASAP to avoid delays and further enforcement actions.*

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