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RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-288-258-783

Mr. Lynn Shelton
Environmental Manager
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P.O. Box 159
Bloomfield, NM 87413

**RE: Release Delineation/Soil Characterization
Giant Refining Company-Bloomfield(GRCB)
GW-001, "San Juan Refining Company"
San Juan County, NM**



Dear Mr. Shelton:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has the following requirements for the GRCB, GW-001 facility regarding the release area along the river bank.

(1.) The soil that is currently stored near the river on the "sand bar" area will be characterized immediately for Hazardous Characteristics and Constituents per 40 CFR Part 261 (Reactivity, Ignitability, Corrosivity, and TCLP). Upon determination of the regulatory status of either Hazardous or Non-Hazardous, Giant will notify the appropriate regulatory agency and propose a method of proper disposal or remediation for the soil.

i.e. If the soil is non-hazardous Giant will confer with the OCD. If the soil is hazardous Giant will confer with NMED-HRMB and US EPA. All agencies will be copied on Giants findings and proposal for handling the soil.

(2.) The soil in the meantime will be removed immediately from the "sand bar" area and stored in an area that has sufficient site security and is out of the river bank area on an impervious synthetic liner of sufficient strength and bermed in such a manner as to prevent run-off and run-on of storm water.

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(3.) The boomed area will continue to be monitored on a bi-weekly basis for BTEX or method 602 until the release area has been delineated and remediated. Giant will submit the original copies of the analysis along with QA/QC documentation to the OCD on a bi-weekly basis, with copies to NMED-HRMB and US EPA Region 6.

(4.) Giant will continue to delineate the release area and will submit a bi-weekly report to the OCD, NMED-HRMB, and US EPA updating the status of the delineation and characterization of the release area.

Note: Giant will have the release delineated by May 7, 1997 and will submit a report to the OCD, NMED-HRMB, and US EPA Region 6 by May 28, 1997 that will contain the results of the delineation and a recommendation regarding how best to remove the contamination.

In the mean time should Giant have any questions, or updates regarding this letter please feel free to call myself at (505)-827-7152 or Pat Sanchez of the OCD Santa Fe Office at (505)-827-7156.

Sincerely,



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c: Mr. Denny Foust - Aztec OCD District Office
Mr. Benito Garcia - NMED- HRMB
Mr. Greg J. Lyssy - US EPA Region 6.