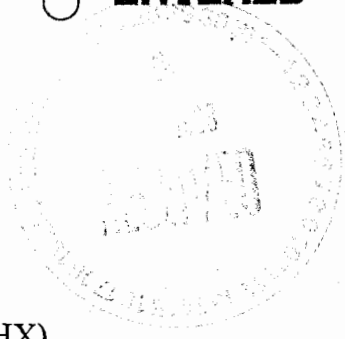


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Mr. Warren Arthur (6EN-HX)
USEPA Region VI
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**Re: Monthly Progress Report
EPA ID No. NMD 089416416**

**Administrative Order on Consent
U.S. EPA Docket No. VI-303-H**

Dear Mr. Arthur:

In accordance with VI.5.b. of the Order, Giant Refining Company - Bloomfield (GRC) submits this monthly progress report.

Interim Measures (IM) Progress

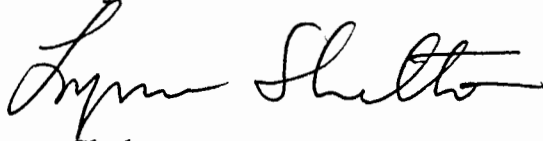
1. Interim Measures, including product recovery from onsite recovery wells, continues. Extensive groundwater measurements were taken in late August and early September to characterize the horizontal and vertical depth of the separate phase hydrocarbon plume at this site. Those reports will be forwarded to you when received.

Corrective Measures Study (CMS)

GRC is still waiting for the submission of the groundwater model for this facility. Giant is also planning to drill two more monitor wells as well as four additional boreholes (to be grouted in) to more fully characterize the stratigraphy of the Jackson Lake Terrace and Nacimiento formations within the central part of this facility.

If you require additional information, please contact me at (505) 632 8013.

Sincerely:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn Shelton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lynn" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Shelton".

Lynn Shelton
Environmental Manager
Giant Refining Company - Bloomfield

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cc: John Stokes, Refinery Manager
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August Report