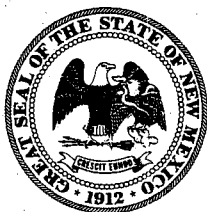


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January 7, 2013

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RE: APPROVAL WITH MODIFICATIONS FACILITY-WIDE GROUNDWATER MONITORING PLAN - JUNE 2012 WESTERN REFINING SOUTHWEST INC., BLOOMFIELD REFINERY EPA ID# NMD089416416 HWB-WRB-12-003

Dear Mr. Schmaltz:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received Western Refining Southwest, Inc., Bloomfield Refinery's (Western) Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan (FWGMP) dated June 2012. NMED has reviewed the FWGMP and hereby issues this approval with the following modifications.

1. Section 4.4.2 (Field QA/QC Samples), page 4-6:

NMED's Comment: Western proposes to collect one field blank and one equipment rinsate blank for each sampling event. Collecting one field blank is not enough to determine the adequacy of field QA/QC for the sampling event; therefore, Western is required to collect one field blank every two days throughout the duration of the sampling event. In addition,

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considering that Western collects the groundwater samples with disposable bailers, NMED approves the use of one equipment rinsate blank for each sample event. Western will be required to collect the equipment rinsate blank from the water level meter upon completion of the groundwater elevation monitoring. Western must incorporate these changes in this FWGMP and future work plans. NMED will reconsider the number of field blanks and equipment blanks collected if different equipment is used in the future to collect groundwater samples or if Western proposes to significantly increase or decrease the number of groundwater samples collected at the Refinery.

2. Table 1 (Facility – Wide Monitoring Program, page 3):

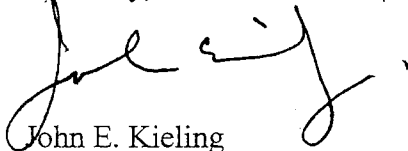
NMED'S Comment: The diameter of Well ID SW6-0203 is missing from Table 1. In future reports and work plans, ensure all information is reported on all data tables or provide an explanation in the Notes section of the table. No revision is necessary

3. Figure 1 (Site Location Map):

NMED's Comment: On Figure 1, Western did not include a north indicator on the figure. In future reports and work plans, ensure all figures provide north indicators. No revision is necessary.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Leona Tsinnajinnie of my staff at (505) 476-6057.

Sincerely,



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