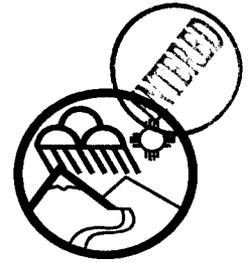




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June 4, 2007

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**RE: NMED RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF
MONITORING WELL LOCATIONS
NEWAPI SEPARATOR; HWB-GRCC-07-001
GIANT REFINING COMPANY, CINIZA REFINERY
NMED ID # NMD000333211**

Dear Mr. Riege:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received Giant Refining Company, Ciniza Refinery's (Permittee) *Work Plan for Monitoring Well Installation* (Work Plan) at the new API separator (NAPIS), dated May 24, 2007. This Work Plan was submitted by Kleinfelder, Inc. on behalf of the Permittee requesting approval of the locations of three proposed monitoring wells at the facility. This Work Plan was developed in response to NMED's March 23, 2007 letter to the Permittee.

NMED hereby approves the Work Plan. The Permittee must include all requirements established in the March 23, 2007 letter from NMED to the Permittee. The Permittee must include the following when implementing the Work Plan:

- 1) The Permittee discusses the collection of samples from the boreholes on page 3 of the Work Plan. The Permittee must collect soil samples from the vadose zone, at the water table, and from the base of each boring. The Permittee must also collect a soil sample from the top of the confining layer in the deepest bore hole.

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- 2) The Permittee states in Section 2.2.5 (Quality Assurance/Quality Control) of the Work Plan that “[d]rilling and sampling will be completed in accordance with our standard Quality Assurance/Quality Control procedures designed to minimize cross-contamination between samples and to provide reliable laboratory results.”

The Permittee must ensure the specific Quality Assurance/Quality Control procedures referenced above are included in the drilling report.

If you have any questions regarding this letter please call Hope Monzeglio of my staff at (505) 476-6045.

Sincerely,



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