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Mr. John Axelson
Department Of Natural Resources
Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801
Denver CO 80203-2136

RE: Wells Ranch USX AA 13-9
Form 27 and Closure Request Cover Letter
API 05-123-29061
Sec.13 T6N R63W
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Axelson:

On May 26, 2009, a release of approximately 25 barrels of condensate occurred at the abovementioned location. The release resulted from leaking or partially open valve on a flowback tank located near the wellhead. A total of 7 barrels was recovered and returned to the tank.

As described in the previously submitted Form 19 neither surface water nor groundwater was impacted. Remediation activities commenced on June 1, 2009 and concluded on June 2, 2009. Hydrocarbon field kit analysis for soils assisted in the determination of excavated volumes. Approximately 90 cubic yards of impacted soil were hauled to the North Weld Sanitary landfill in Weld County.

The attached documentation includes a completed Form 27, laboratory analytical results from confirmation soil samples for analysis of TPH, and a site diagram showing sample location and results. Based on the site remedial activities and the attached laboratory analytical results, NEI is requesting that the COGCC consider this location remediated, requiring no further action.

Please contact the NEI environmental department at (970) 785-5025 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mikel Cox'.

Mikel Cox
Environmental Coordinator

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Marty Faraguna'.

Marty Faraguna
Environmental Specialist

Attachments