

November 2, 2009

Ms. Lorena Goerger, Project Manager New Mexico Environment Department Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau 1301 Siler Road, Building B Santa Fe, NM 87507

## RE: SITE ACCESS AND MONITORING WELL MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES LETTER REPORT FOR CONOCO MINI MART, 3837 HIGHWAY 64, CHAMA, NEW MEXICO FACILITY #27498 RID #2316 WPID #3414-1

Dear Ms. Goerger:

The following is a letter report confirming property access agreement for the monitoring well maintenance activities and groundwater monitoring activities at the above referenced site. The completion of the access agreement, monitoring well maintenance activities, and this letter constitute the first deliverable of the work plan dated September 3, 2009 and approved by the New Mexico Environment Department Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau (NMED PSTB) on September 8, 2009.

SMA confirmed, in October 2008, that the Village of Chama still has ownership of the Conoco Mini Mart and SMA still has access to the site in accordance with the previously completed agreement.

SMA attempted to contact the owner of Cathy's Thrift Store on October 9, 2009, to relay information regarding the scheduled site events. Cathy's Thrift Store is associated with off site monitoring wells MW-9, MW-10, and MW-11. SMA was not able to find a current contact number for the owner of the thrift store. The thrift store was damaged in a recent fire and the phone lines are no longer operational.

SMA was able to complete the monitoring well maintenance activities at the site on October 14, 2009. Monitoring wells MW-3 and MW-13 were located by a survey crew. MW-13 was determined to not be repairable and was plugged and abandoned per NMED PSTB guidelines. MW-3 was determined to be repairable; however, the crew did not have a new vault box with them to replace the damaged vault box. A wood pallet was placed over the PVC pipe and the well cap was replaced on the monitoring well. The field technician attempted to collect a water sample from MW-3, but the well was dry.

SMA did complete a groundwater sampling event on seven of the site monitoring wells. The groundwater monitoring report will be submitted upon receipt of the laboratory analytical report. SMA recommends plugging and abandoning MW-3 during the next groundwater sampling

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event at the Conoco Mini Mart.

If you have any additional questions, please call our office at 505-325-5667.

Sincerely, **Souder, Miller & Associates** 

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