

Mark Parkinson, Governor Thomas E. Wright, Chairman Michael C. Moffet, Commissioner Joseph F. Harkins, Commissioner

August 4, 2009

Bear Petroleum, Inc. PO Box 438 Haysville, KS 67060

Re:

Drilling Pit Application Viney Lease Well No. 5 SW/4 Sec. 09-28S-05W Kingman County, Kansas

Dear Sir or Madam:

District staff has re-inspected the above referenced location and has determined that the reserve pit shall be constructed <u>without slots</u>, the bottom shall be flat and reasonably level, and **all pits must be lined with bentonite**. The free fluids must be removed. The fluids are to be removed from the reserve pit as soon as the Hutchinson Salt section has been drilled through and displacement of the fluids into the reserve pit has occurred. The fluids should be removed again within 72 hours after drilling operations have ceased.

If production casing is set all completion fluids shall be removed from the working pits daily. NO completion fluids or non-exempt wastes shall be placed in the reserve pit.

The fluids should be taken to an authorized disposal well. Please call the District Office at (316) 630-4000 when the fluids have been removed. Please file form CDP-5 (August 2004), Exploration and Production Waste Transfer, within 30 days of fluid removal. Conservation division forms are available through our office and on the KCC web site: www.kcc.state.ks.us/conservation/forms.

A copy of this letter should be posted in the doghouse along with the approved Intent to Drill. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the undersigned at the above address.

Sincerely,

Kathy Haynes

Environmental Protection and Remediation Department

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