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August 7, 2014

John Jay Darrah, Jr.
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Re: Kratzer 11
NE/4 Sec. 21-17S-08W
Ellsworth County, Kansas
15-053-21281-00-00

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to inform you that you have been granted an additional extension of time in which to close the drilling pits associated with the Kratzer 11 well.

The original 365 days for closure expired on 01/16/2014. This extension will expire 09/10/2014. **No additional extensions will be granted.** In the event there is water standing in these pits, please dewater and dispose of fluids in an authorized disposal facility to expedite closure. Extension of this time frame automatically extends the time period for filing the closure of surface pit form.

Failure to close the pit prior to the expiration date shall result in a monetary penalty in accordance with K.A.R. 82-3-602(a).

Please complete the pit closure form (CDP-4) through Kolar (Kansas On-Line Automated Reporting) at <https://kolar.kgs.ku.edu>.

If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Haynes at (316) 337-6243.

Sincerely,

Ryan A. Hoffman
Director

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CONSERVATION DIVISION
WICHITA, KS

RE: Kratzer #11 Pit
API #: 15-053-21281-00-00

Dear Kathy:

Per our phone conversation this morning I am providing you with a written record of why the reserve pit has not been closed to date and request further time to do so.

I have been diligently working on closing these pits and have successfully done so on the working pits however the reverse pit is still unclosed. The timing and density of the rain we have received over the last couple of weeks has hindered the closing of this pit. I have had dirt moved to crowd the pit, however there still remains some rain water in the pit yet to evaporate.

I will see this pit gets closed however we require administrative understanding that more time will be required to completely close this pit. We request an extension of another 30 days if no more rain is received.

Sincerely,



Connie L Ball
Office Manager for John Jay Darrah, Jr.

cc: Phil Martin, Field Rep for Darrah
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