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October 8, 2015

Merit Energy Company
1701 N. Kansas
PO Box 1293
Liberal, KS 67905

Re: Shell B 7
NW/4 Sec. 17-22S-34W
Finney County, Kansas
15-055-22332-00-00

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to inform you that you have been granted an extension of time in which to close the drilling pits associated with the Shell B 7 well.

The original 365 days for closure expired on 10/02/2015. This extension will expire on 1/08/2016. We urge you to make every effort to close these pits within this time frame. 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, **but not the time period for filing the waste transfer form (CDP-5).**

*Failure to close the pit or request an additional extension prior to the expiration date shall result in a monetary penalty in accordance with K.A.R. 82-3-602(a). An additional pit extension may be renewed upon request, but **no pit permit extension shall be extended beyond six months after the original deadline.***

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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Kansas State Corporation Commission
Conservation Division (Oil & Gas)
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RE:

Well Name	Pit Type	API	Comment
E.C. Moody 4-29	Haul off	15-055-22327	Still Wet as of 10/6/2015
Shell B-6 (Due 10/15/2015)	Onsite	15-055-22331	Still Wet as of 10/6/2015
Shell B-7	Onsite	15-055-22332	Still Wet as of 10/6/2015
Cobra 26-1	Onsite	15-093-21927	Waiting on farmer to cut crop -10/6/2015
E.C. Moody 5-29	Haul Off	15-055-22352	Still Wet as of 10/6/2015

Mrs Haynes:

The pit closures for the wells listed above are coming due, but the pits are too wet to be backfilled, due to all the rain we've had lately.

We are requesting an extension of the deadline to 11/7/2015. We should be able to have the listed pits closed by then. Thanks in advance for your patience. If there are any questions or you require further information, please contact me at the above address or by phone at (620) 629-4228.

Sincerely,

Idania Medina
Merit Energy Company -- Regulatory Analyst

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