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October 3, 2016

Priority Oil & Gas LLC  
PO Box 27798  
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Re: Van Dyke 4-10  
SW/4 Sec. 10-03S-42W  
Cheyenne County, Kansas  
15-023-21436-00-00

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 Van Dyke 4-10 well.

The original 365 days for closure expired on 08/24/2016. This extension will expire on 12/30/2016. 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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## **Kathy Haynes**

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**From:** Melissa Gray <priorityog@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2016 1:39 PM  
**To:** Kathy Haynes  
**Subject:** Pit closure extension

Kathy, Priority Oil & Gas LLC would like to request an extension for closing the drilling pit on the following well.

Van Dyke 4-10  
API # 15-023-21436-00-00  
3S 42W Section 10  
Cheyenne County, KS

The original plan was to wait to close the pit until after wheat harvest in order avoid additional crop damages for the wheat crop. The pit has never dried out enough in the past year to be able to squeeze the mud out, blend it with subsoil, backfill the pit, and replace the topsoil. The pit was close to being dry enough in late July, but then there were 2 storms that passed through the area in early August and produced about 5" of rain. There was still standing water in the pit at the beginning of September. We will watch the pit closely and fill it in as soon as we are able to.

Please let me know if there is anything else you need.

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