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Western Refining Southwest LLC

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Received
JUN 27 2022
NMED Hazardous Waste Bureau

June 23, 2022

Mr. Kevin Pierard, Chief
New Mexico Environment Department
Hazardous Waste Bureau
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**RE: Disapproval
SWMU-1 Closure Plan
Western Refining Southwest LLC
(D/B/A Marathon Gallup Refinery)
EPA ID #NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-21-010**

Dear Mr. Pierard:

Western Refining Southwest LLC (Western Refining) received the above referenced Disapproval letter from the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) dated December 14, 2021. That letter required that a Response to Comments Letter and the revised Closure Plan be provided to NMED on February 11, 2022.

Bid costs received in February 2022 from potential contractors for implementing the initial phase of the Closure Plan (excavation and disposal of Aerobic Lagoons AL-1 and AL-2) greatly exceeded the cost budgeted cost for the scope of work. The bids received exhibited the ongoing impacts associated with the Covid 19 pandemic recovery including supply chain disruptions and inflationary pressures. Western Refining is currently evaluating options for revising the Closure Plan to determine a path forward. Our continued progress has been communicated to NMED (D. Cobrain) and a formal submittal is being prepared for NMED consideration.

Western Refining looks forward to discussing options that will meet NMED requirements to address the impacts associated with SWMU-1 at the Gallup Refinery and will provide the required revised Closure Plan once a plan has been developed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the information contained herein, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. John Moore at (505) 879-7643.

Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction of supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.



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Sincerely,

Western Refining Southwest LLC, D/B/A Marathon Gallup Refinery

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Vice-President

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