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## RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

January 29, 2010

EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION (257128)  
P O BOX 4358  
HOUSTON TX 77210-4358

Re: STATUS REPORT  
Elizabeth Burns Complaint No. 04-1230  
Mc Gill Bros. Lease  
Brooks County, Texas

Site 1: Kelsey North Meter Station Blow Down Tank  
Job No. 2008-04-14170

On January 20, 2009, Ms. Elizabeth Burns, landowner, contacted the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC) with concerns about oilfield pollution on her property. According to Ms. Burns, historical spills and leaks had not been cleaned up. Exxon Mobil reported a spill of 8.7 barrels condensate and 79 barrels of produced water on the Mc Gill Bros. lease to the RRC District Office on December 13, 2008. The following violation of RRC Statewide Rules remain:

**STATEWIDE RULE 8(d)(1):** (N 26° 49.17', W 98° 24.03') Clean-up not completed. On July 17, 2009, it was determined that groundwater was affected at 32 feet below surface. Benzene was detected above RRC guideline limit concentration levels from a centrally located monitoring well. Arcadis submitted a groundwater delineation report on November 19, 2009. On January 26, 2010, Site Remediation Section in Austin responded in a letter to Exxon Mobil with recommendations of additional groundwater monitoring to bring the site to closure. No active pollution was observed at this site during the January 19, 2010, inspection.

*Oversight of the groundwater assessment and cleanup activities was referred to the Site Remediation Section in Austin, Operator Cleanup Program site OCP number 04-3541.*

**STATEWIDE RULE 8(d)(2):** (N 26° 49.29', W 98° 24.10') Un-permitted pit. Enforcement action was requested by the District Office in a letter to Field Operations in Austin on January 22, 2010, for failure to bring Statewide Rule violations into compliance. Arcadis submitted a Subsurface Investigation Report on January 6, 2010. On January 26, 2010, Site Remediation Section in Austin responded in a letter to Exxon Mobil with recommendations of additional groundwater monitoring to bring the site to closure. No active pollution was observed at the site during the January 19, 2010, inspection job no. 2009-04-8714.

*Oversight of the groundwater assessment and cleanup activities was referred to the Site Remediation Section in Austin, Operator Cleanup Program site OCP number 04-3541.*

**Site 2: Kelsey Meter Station 2**

Job No. 2008-04-14100

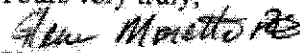
A spill of 29 barrels of condensate from a leaking pipeline on the landowner's property was discovered by Carlos Moreno, RRC District inspector, on December 11, 2008. The following violation of RRC Statewide Rules remain:

**STATEWIDE RULE 8(d)(1):** (N 26° 48.75', W 98° 24.80') Clean-up not completed. To date, the RRC has not received sample analysis results supporting an adequate delineation. On November 30, 2009, a soil delineation report was submitted by Arcadis to the District Office. One monitoring well was installed in the center of the excavation area. The excavation is currently backfilled. East of the monitoring well is an excavated area measuring 30 feet x 4 feet by 4 feet deep containing a pipeline riser. The area was barricaded with perimeter fencing. No active pollution was observed at the site during the January 19, 2010, inspection.

*Oversight of the groundwater assessment and cleanup activities was referred to Site Remediation Section in Austin, Operator Cleanup Program site OCP number 04-3589.*

The complaint file is being referred to the Site Remediation Section in Austin, for further evaluation and action. Future inquiries should be addressed to the District Office Cleanup Coordinator, DOCC. The closing of this complaint file does not alter or suspend any Enforcement action that is currently pending. Inquiries regarding Enforcement action should be directed to: Railroad Commission of Texas; General Council - Legal Enforcement Section; P. O. Box 12967; Austin, Texas 78711-2967. The District Office considers this matter to have been thoroughly investigated and is closing the complaint. Please direct all questions regarding this complaint to Glenn Monette at 361-242-3113.

District Director \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant District Director A.S.

Yours very truly,  
  
Glenn Monette, P.E.  
Engineering Specialist

cc: Field Operations Section – Austin  
Heidi Bojes, Site Remediation - Austin  
Legal Enforcement - Austin  
Ms. Elizabeth Burns, P.O. Box 100, Santa Elena, TX 78591  
Complaint File