

# **Shell Exploration & Production**

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February 14, 2013

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GRAND JUNCTION FIELD OFFICE DIVISION OF RECLAMATION MINING & SAFETY

Dear Ms. Cheung:

SUBJECT:

MIT Results - H01 (HW8101)

UIC Permit CO32210-0000

Shell Frontier Oil & Gas Inc, Oil Shale RDD Lease (COC 69166) SECTION 35, T1S, R99W, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO

Dear Ms. Cheung:

As required by Section B Mechanical Integrity (MI) and Appendix B of UIC Permit CO32210-0000, Shell Frontier Oil & Gas Inc. (SFOGI) is submitting the results of the Pressure Test (Part I MI) for well H01. The test was completed on December 19, 2012. Shell's review has been completed. The attachment provided includes the Test Procedure, along with results, and a Plot report from the contractor that completed the work.

The well was constructed as noted in the NEW WELL: H01 Section of the Well Construction Requirements in Appendix A of the permit. Testing was conducted to evaluate the integrity of casing, casing shoe, perforated section, and the open bore hole below the casing. Testing was performed as noted in the Test Set Up, diagram, and Testing Procedure of the attached document. Testing results demonstrate that the MIT pressure testing requirements of the permit were met.

The information has been reviewed by Senior Petrophysicist Engineer, Nilesh Kadam. It is SFOGI's interpretation that the information in the report provided meet the applicable permit requirements for this pressure test.

If you have any questions regarding the information in this submittal, please contact Florentino Vuelvas at (281) 544-7790. In addition, Nilesh Kadam can be reached by email at Nilesh.Kadam@Shell.com.

Sincerely,

Florentino Vuelvas

Staff Environmental Engineer

Attachments (1)

#### cc:

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## FED EX Tracking # 7947 5112 0718

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Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
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Grand Junction, Colorado 81501



Subject:

**Mechanical Integrity Pressure Test Results** 

Results of the MIT on well HW-8101 of Shell's ERDD Project

From:

**Matt Dees** 

Drilling Engineer, Shell

To:

United States Environmental Protection Agency

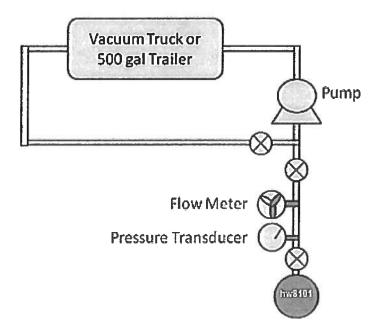
#### Introduction

On December 19, 2012 in Meeker, Colorado at the Shell ERDD Project on well HW-8101 a Mechanical Integrity Test (MIT) was performed to fulfill the requirements in the Underground Injection Control (UIC) permit CO32210-00000. The test satisfied the criteria of Ground Water Section Guidance No. 39 set by Part I of the Mechanical Integrity Testing. Initial notification to conduct testing was provided to USEPA by phone and e-mail on December 6, 2012. Approval to proceed with the test was received by USEPA on the same day.

The well was constructed as noted in the NEW WELL: H01 Section of the Well Construction Requirements in Appendix A of the permit. Testing was conducted to evaluate the integrity of casing, casing shoe, perforated section, and the open bore hole below the casing. Testing was performed as noted in the Test Set Up, diagram, and Testing Procedure of this document. Testing results demonstrate that the MIT pressure testing requirements of the permit were met.

#### Test Set Up

Below is a schematic of the test set up used by Schlumberger to perform the mechanical integrity test on the HW-8101 well.



The pressure transducer used was a Viatran Model 509, which provides data accuracy to single digit PSIG.

#### <u>Testing Procedure</u>

- Schlumberger rigs up all equipment and lines. Equipment and lines were filled and primed up to begin pressure testing.
- Pressure test lines to the master valve above the expected treating pressure; check for leaks.
- Integrity test began at 20:07 by injecting approximately 0.4 BBLs of water into well. Pressured well to 438 psig.
- Once pressure is reached, the well is isolated from the pump (pressurization source).
- After isolating the well from the pressurization source, the pressure is continuously monitored for 30 minutes to evaluate pressure and temperature changes in the tested "chamber."
- Pressure was monitored continuously and recorded at specific intervals as shown in the attached Schlumberger Job Report.
- Test concludes at 20:38. Pressure reading is 415 psig.
- Pressure change during test is 23 psig.
- Pressure is released from the well by opening valve to the 500 gallon container.

#### Results

Based on the results of the integrity test it was confirmed that the well passes the criteria set by Part I of the Mechanical Integrity Test. Initial pressure was 438 PSI and after 30 minutes the final pressure was 415 PSI – a 5% change in pressure which satisfies the test criterion of 10% or less.

This test demonstrated not only the integrity of the casing but also the integrity of the casing shoe. The test pressure was applied to the casing and the entire open-hole section (from casing shoe through well total depth).

Attached: Plot report from Schlumberger.

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## **Cementing Job Report**

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