

Trip Report

Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management

Chief's Order No. 2014-541

Trip Date: 4-12-2017

Location: Belmont County

Owner: Austin Masters

Weather: Sunny, about 60°F

Arrival/Departure: 12:50 PM to 1:30 PM

Attendees: Luke Saunders (DOGRM), Troy Mazur, (Radiation Safety Officer, Austin Masters)

Purpose of meeting: Facility inspection

Inspection Findings:

- A walk through of the facility was performed with Troy Mazur. Troy explained the current layout and operations of the facility. Wastes are staged at the NE end of the warehouse, then dumped into the half round located inside a pit in the back of the warehouse. Wastes are then run through agitators and a filter press. High radioactive solid wastes are shipped to Utah, lower level solid wastes are shipped to PA. Liquids are shipped to a class II injection well. Troy stated radioactive wastes are down blended with “drill sands” that arrive at or around background radiation levels.
- Filter socks are being stored on the warehouse floor in one large pile. There was no apparent designated area for the storage of filter socks.
- The floors appeared to be dirty with oilfield wastes. When asked about the cleanliness of the warehouse, Troy stated the warehouse roof leaks water during rain events, making it difficult to keep the warehouse floors clean.

Recommendations:

- Continue or implement procedures to improve the “cleanliness” of the warehouse floor. Regular hosing of the floor should be performed to ensure waste substances are maintained in the pits and not tracked by equipment.

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Pile of filter socks stored on warehouse floor.