

Region 6 - Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division
INSPECTION REPORT

Inspection Date(s):	12/03/2025	
Media Program:	Water (CWA)	
Regulatory Program(s)	Water (CWA) Brine Program (Oil & Gas inspection)	
Company Name:	Berg, Laney and Brown Company	
Facility Name:	Snyder Tank Battery	
Facility Physical Location:	From Norphlet (Joyce Community), State Highway 7, right at State Highway 335, left on W Padgett, right on N Texas, straight on Hayes City Rd (Ouachita CR 68), right on oilfield road at 33.369833, -92.647033.	
(city, state, zip code)	Louann, AR 71751	
Mailing address:	108 E Washington Street Rear	
(city, state, zip code)	Camden, AR 71701	
County/Parish:	Ouachita County	
Facility Phone Number	870-836-4121	
Facility Contact:	H. M. Berg, Jr. jamie@blbco.us	Person Responsible for Operation
FRS Number:	N/A	
Identification/Permit Number:	ARU002340	
Media Identifier Number:	N/A	
NAICS:	211111	
SIC:	1311	
Personnel participating in inspection:		
Kerri McCabe (lead)	EPA / Region 6 ECDW	Inspector / Enforcement Officer
Uma Lad	EPA / Region 6 ECDW	Inspector / Enforcement Officer
EPA Lead Inspector Signature/Date		
	Kerri McCabe	Date
Supervisor Signature/Date		
	Jeanne Eckhart	Date

Section I – INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE OF THE INSPECTION

EPA Region 6 inspectors Kerri McCabe (lead) and Uma Lad arrived at the Berg, Laney and Brown Company / Snyder Tank Battery ("facility") located from State Highway 7, straight on Hayes City Road (Ouachita CR 68), right on an oilfield lease road at 33.369833, -92.647033 in Louann (Joyce Community), Ouachita County, Arkansas; at 1330 on 12/03/2025 for an unannounced inspection. No facility representatives were present at the time of the inspection. The inspection was conducted by the authority of the Clean Water Act (CWA) to determine compliance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. There were no other federal, state, or local agency representatives present at the time of the inspection.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

EPA conducted an inspection on the Berg, Laney and Brown Company / Snyder Tank Battery facility, which contains five (5) tanks for crude oil and saltwater separation and storage, one (1) saltwater disposal (SWD) well pump shared by the Baugh Tank Battery, and one (1) active production well. One tank was outside containment and appeared to be out of service.



Map 1. Aerial imagery (Google Earth dated 02/01/2025) of the Berg, Laney and Brown Company / Snyder Tank Battery facility.

Section II – OBSERVATIONS

I observed the facility signage and an overview of the facility; see Appendix 1 (Photographs Log), Photos No. 1 and No. 2. For additional GPS location and photo metadata, see Appendix 1.

I observed the front side of the tank battery with the SWD well pump located outside containment, see Photo No. 3.

I observed the right side of the tank battery with a low area in the berm, see Photo No. 4.

I observed the backside of the tank battery with a sump area in the corner, see Photos No. 5 and No. 8.

I observed the drainpipe for secondary containment with a cap and valve, see Photo No. 6.

I observed one (1) tank outside secondary containment that appeared to be out of service that was not properly marked “out of service,” see Photo No. 7.

I observed overhead piping support, an active production well, and a berm shared with the Baugh Tank Battery, see Photo No. 9.

Section III – AREAS OF CONCERN

No closing conference was held due to no personnel with Berg, Laney and Brown Company being present during the inspection. Areas of concern at the time of the inspection include the following:

- A low area on the secondary containment berm (Photo No. 4), and
- One (1) tank outside secondary containment not properly marked as “out of service” (Photo No. 7).

Section IV – FOLLOW UP

Inspector will conduct follow-up phone calls with the company representative(s) over the coming weeks and months to ensure areas of concern are properly addressed.

Section V – LIST OF APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Photograph Log – 9 photos taken 12/03/2025.

Appendix 1

Photograph Log

9 Photos



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Photograph Log

Photo No. 1

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	NE	
Filename:	R0011071.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:42:39	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking NNE, this photo shows the signage identifying the company and lease name for the facility.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.4" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.326" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 2

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	NW	
Filename:	R0011072.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:42:52	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking NNW, this photo shows an overview of the Baugh-Snyder tank batteries. The Snyder Tank Battery is in front.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.28" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.344" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 3

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	SE	
Filename:	R0011073.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:43:19	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking SSE, this shows the front view of the containment structure with the saltwater disposal (SWD) well pump adjacent to the facility.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.976" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.932" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 4

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	NE	
Filename:	R0011074.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:43:44	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking ENE, this photo shows the right-side view of the containment structure with a low area in the berm levee.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.454" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.476" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 5

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	W	
Filename:	R0011075.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:44:00	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking W, this photo shows the back view of the containment structure with a sump area in the corner.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.73" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.086" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 6

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	NW	
Filename:	R0011076.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:44:11	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking WNW, this photo shows the drainpipe with valve and cap used to drain the sump area of the containment structure.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.766" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.038" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 7

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	SW	
Filename:	R0011077.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:44:23	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking SSW, this photo shows a tank outside containment that was not in use. The tank was not marked, as required, indicating "out of service."		
Latitude:	33°22'11.82" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.092" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 8

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	W	
Filename:	R0011078.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:44:15	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking W, this photo shows an additional back view of the containment structure.		
Latitude:	33°22'11.772" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.044" W



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Photograph Log

Photo No. 9

Facility/Location:		Berg, Laney & Brown Company - Snyder Tank Battery						
City:	Louann	County:	Ouachita County	State:	AR	Direction:	SW	
Filename:	R0011079.JPG	Photo Date:		12/03/2025		Time:	13:44:44	
Photographer:	Kerri McCabe			Witness Name:		Uma Lad		



Description:	Looking SW, this photo shows overhead piping with supports, an active production well, and a berm shared with the Baugh Tank Battery.		
Latitude:	33°22'12.198" N	Longitude:	92°38'49.632" W