

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Field Inspection Program "Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

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**NOTICE OF VIOLATION - Inspection** 

Dear Operator:

The following inspection(s) indicate that the well, equipment, location or operational status of the well(s) failed to meet standards of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division as described in the detail section below. To comply with standards imposed by Rules and Regulations of the Division, corrective action must be taken immediately and the situation brought into compliance. The detail section indicates preliminary findings and/or probable nature of the violation. This determination is based on an inspection of your well or facility by an inspector employed by the Oil Conservation Division on the date(s) indicated.

Please notify the proper district office of the Division, in writing, of the date corrective actions are scheduled to be made so that arrangements can be made to reinspect the well and/or facility.

## INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION

TOG FEDERAL No.003

J-16-20S-29E

30-015-21360-00-00

Inspection Date

**Type Inspection** 

Inspector

\*Significant

Corrective

Violation?

Non-Compliance?

Action Due By:

04/27/2005

Routine/Periodic

Mike Bratcher

Inspection No.

**Violations** 

Yes

No

5/27/2005

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**Comments on Inspection:** 

Surface Leaks/Spills

Location has several areas of staining and contamination as follows: Minor staining at wellhead,

some saturated soils at heater treater area, contamination around pump at West end of tank battery just outside berm and heavy contamination from what appears to be hydrocarbon and chloride impaction on South side of tank battery. On open 50 gal drum is plumbed into the storage vessels and is full of oil. No fence around tank battery. Well site is in violation of Rule 13 and Rule 116 and requires remediation of contaminated areas and to be brought into compliance with NMOCD

rules and regulations.

In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter of direction by the "Corrective Action Due By:" date shown above, further enforcement will occur. Such enforcement may include this office applying to the Division for an order summoning you to a hearing before a Divison Examiner in Santa Fe to show cause why you should not be ordered to permanently plug and abandon this well. Such a hearing may result in imposition of CIVIL PENALTIES for your violation of OCD rules.

Sincerely,

Artesia OCD District Office

Mike Bentchese

Note: Information in Detail Section comes directly from field inspector data entries - not all blanks will contain data.

\*Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the EPA, Region VI, Dallas, Texas.