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**\*Response Required - Deadline Enclosed\***

*Field Inspection Program*  
*"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"*

12-Oct-16

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**LETTER 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**

MABEL No.002				H-30-10S-28E	30-005-60736-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
10/11/2016	Routine/Periodic Violations Surface Leaks/Spills	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/14/2017	iTM1628534748
Comments on Inspection: OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. OLD TUBING SUCKER RODS ON LOCATION						

PLAINS 29 No.002				E-29-10S-28E	30-005-61385-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
10/11/2016	Routine/Periodic Violations Surface Leaks/Spills	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/14/2017	iTM1628533937
Comments on Inspection: OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD POWER OFF						

**WELL No.006** H-30-10S-28E 30-005-61909-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
11/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/14/2017	iTM1628534456
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103) Surface Leaks/Spills						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ STAINING AROUND WELLHEAD  
LOCATION SIGN NOT LEGIBLE OLD TUBING ON LOCATION.

**WELLS 29 No.006** D-29-10S-28E 30-005-61992-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
12/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628644551
<b>Violations</b> Surface Leaks/Spills						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. NO PJ. FRESH OIL AROUND WELLHEAD.

**WELLS 29 No.005** E-29-10S-28E 30-005-61998-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
1/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/14/2017	iTM1628534157
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103) Surface Leaks/Spills						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ STAINING AROUND WELLHEAD  
LOCATION SIGN NOT VISIBLE. OLD SUCKER RODS ON LOCATION.

**WELLS 29 No.007** E-29-10S-28E 30-005-62128-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
1/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/14/2017	iTM1628533604
<b>Violations</b> Surface Leaks/Spills						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ STAINING AROUND WELLHEAD  
LOCATION SIGN DOWN. TANK BATTERY NO PLACARD/ WINDSOCK NO  
SECONDARY IMPERMEABLE CONTAINMENT-BERM

**WELLS 29 No.011** P-19-10S-28E 30-005-62205-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
2/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628646287
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. NO PJ. LOCATION SIGN NOT VISIBLE.

**WELLS 29 No.015** O-19-10S-28E 30-005-62291-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
2/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628645839
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ NOT CONNECTED TO WELL HEAD.  
LOCATION SIGN NOT VISIBLE.

**WELL No.008** B-30-10S-28E 30-005-62322-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
2/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628645206
<b>Violations</b> Surface Leaks/Spills						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ. FRESH OIL AROUND WELL HEAD.

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**PLAINS 29 No.008**

L-29-10S-28E

30-005-62624-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
10/11/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/14/2017	iTM1628533346
<b>Violations</b> Surface Leaks/Spills						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ POWER OFF STAINING AROUND WELLHEAD.

**NASTY No.001**

L-20-10S-28E

30-005-62634-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
10/12/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628648591
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ. POWER OFF,, LOTS OF DEBRIS ON LOCATION UNMARKED 55 GALLON DRUMS. HOLDING TANK NO NETTING.

**MABEL****No.009**

A-30-10S-28E

30-005-62715-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
10/12/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628644948
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103) General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ NOT CONNECTED TO WELL HEAD OLD PJ ON LOCATION LOCATION SIGN NOT VISIBLE.

**CX PLAINS No.018**

P-19-10S-28E

30-005-63030-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
10/12/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	1/15/2017	iTM1628646759
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						

**Comments on Inspection:** OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ NOT CONNECTED TO WELLHEAD. OLD SUCKER RODS / TANK BATTERY ON LOCATION.

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 Division Examiner in Santa Fe to show cause why you should not be ordered to permanently plug and abandon this well.

Sincerely,



Artesia OCD District Office

**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.