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# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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**\*Response Required – Deadline Enclosed\***

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New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department*

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**MEWBOURNE OIL CO**  
PO Box 5270  
Hobbs NM 88241

**LOV NO. 02-08-050**

**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**

LOCO HILLS STATE No.002		L-2-18S-30E		30-015-26654-00-00		
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
03/18/2008	Routine/Periodic	Richard Inge	Yes	No	4/11/2008	iREI0807843066

**Comments on Inspection:** Leak has occurred from separator. Unlined, bermed area contained most of fluid. But it appears leak broke thru berm and fluids went onto pad site. Spoke with Mike Morris (pumper for Mewbourne) that remediation will be required on this site.

No spill report received for this incident. Please submit a form C-141 immediately to report the spill along with a proposed clean up plan to the OCD by the compliance due date.

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. Such a hearing may result in imposition of CIVIL PENALTIES for your violation of OCD rules.

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