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Mr. Doyle Baxter
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Petroleum Club Plaza Room 328
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Re: Beta wells in violation of MNOCD Rules and Regulations

Dear Doyle,

OCD Rule 310 states that any permanent oil tank within the corporate limits of any city, town, or village shall have fire walls with a capacity one third larger than the capacity of the tank or tanks.

A recent field inspection by personnel from this office reveals that several of your wells are in violation of this rule. Also, some of these wells and several other wells have other violations. A list of wells and violations follows.

1. Esther Bandy #1, N-3-30N-11W

    Fire wall needs to be built up. Leaking 2" valve on storage tank.

2. Ona Magee #1, P-4-30N-11W

    No fire wall

3. Faye Burdette #1, G-9-30N-11W

    Fire wall needs to be built up. Leaky 2" valve on storage tank.

4. Sam Cooley #1, L-9-30-11

    Firewall needs to be built up. Waste pit is full of oil and water, needs to be cleaned out and enlarged. Storage tanks have run over and need to be cleaned. Dry weeds around separator constitute a fire hazard and need to be removed.

5. James Scott #1, A-18-30N-11W

    Fire wall needs to be built up. Tank has run over and needs to be cleaned.

6. Jose Jaquez #1, K-24-30N-12W

    Fire wall needs to be built up. Water and oil inside fire wall needs to be picked up and disposed of. Leaking 3" valve on load line. Tank has run over and needs to be cleaned.
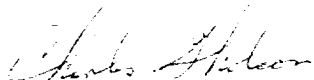
7. Ruby Corscott #1, C-25-30N-12W

    Oil inside firewall needs to be picked up and salvaged if possible. Tank has run over and needs to be cleaned.

You are hereby directed to initiate remedial action as soon as possible.

If you have any questions please call this office.

Yours truly,

Charles Gholson
Deputy Inspector

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