

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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August 13, 2001

CE Larue and BM Muncy Jr. PO Box 1370 Artesia, NM 88211

RE: Gulf Kimmons # 2

Unit Letter A, Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 31 East API # 30-005-20953

Gentleman:

Through routine inspection and record review it has come to our attention that the above referenced well has been shut in for an extended period of time. Order R -9210 state that a well can not be shut in for longer than a year. The well was drilled in April of 1984 and the reserve pit has not been closed. The reserve pit closure should have been done by April of 1985. The following options are available for the future disposition of the above well.

1. Restore the well to production

2. The well temporarily abandoned in accordance with Rule 203

3. The well plugged and abandoned in accordance with Rule 202

This letter is the first step in the documentation to schedule a Show Cause Hearing. To avoid further action on this well the NMOCD request that you submit a NMOCD form C-103 telling us your intent for this well by September13,2001. If you do not respond we will have no choice but to schedule a Show Cause Hearing. We request that you notify this office 24 hours prior to any operation, either repair or plugging or pressure test to request TA status.

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