

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Oil Conservation Division

Response Required - Deadline Enclosed

Field Inspection Program

"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

HOBBS OCD

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MEWBOURNE OIL CO

PO Box 5270

Hobbs NM 88241

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

SPARROW 27 No.003

B-27-19S-35E

30-025-25180-00-00

Inspection

ate Type Inspection

Inspector

*Significant

Corrective

Date

Routine/Periodic

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Violation? Non-Compliance?

Action Due By:

Inspection No.

12/06/2012 Routing

Mark Whitaker

Yes

No

3/11/2013

iMAW1234852654

Violations

Comments on Inspection:

Surface Leaks/Spills

Stuffing box has leaked. Fluid in cellar with layer of oil. Location sprayed to the north when

stuffing box leaked. NEED TO REPAIR STUFFING BOX, REMOVE CONTAMINATED SOILS

AND FLUIDS FROM CELLAR AND AREA AROUND WELLHEAD. PIPE ALL

BRADENHEADS TO SURFACE AND FILL IN CELLAR WITH CLEAN MATERIAL. 1st

notice.

Oil Conservation Division * 1625 N. French Drive * Hobbs, New Mexico 88240 Phone: 575-393-6161 * Fax: 575-393-0720 * http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us

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.

Sincerely,

COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Hobbs 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.

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
1625 N FRENCH DRIVE
HOBBS NM 88240



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