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Response Required - Deadline Enclosed

Field Inspection Program
"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

12-Aug-15

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION
105 S 4TH ST
ARTESIA NM 88210

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

HARRIS AAU STATE No.001				M-12-14S-33E	30-025-28993-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/12/2015	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	9/18/2015	iMAW1522434406
	Violations					
	Surface Damage/Restoration					
Comments on Inspection:	DO NOT RELEASE. Polypipe on west side of location. 3 LCEC poles and transformers south of location. NEED TO REMOVE POLYPIPE. NEED TO CONTACT LEA COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP (LCEC) AND NOTIFY THEM WELL HAS BEEN PLUGGED AND ABANDONED AND REQUEST REMOVAL OF ALL SERVICE POLES AND TRANSFORMERS. PLEASE FORWARD A COPY OF THE CORRESPONDENCE TO LCEC TO THE DISTRICT 1 OFFICE.					

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In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter of direction by the "Repair Due:" date shown above, or if the well(s) are not immediately shut-in, 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.

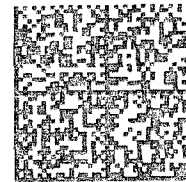
Sincerely,


Compliance Officer

Hobbs OCD District Office

Note: Pressure Tests are performed prior to initial injection, after repairs and otherwise, every 5 years; Bradenhead Tests are performed annually. Information in Detail Section comes directly from field inspector data entries - not all blanks will contain data. "Failure Type" and "Failure Cause" and any Comments are not to be interpreted as a diagnosis of the condition of the wellbore. Additional testing should be conducted by the operator to accurately determine the nature of the actual failure. * Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the EPA, Region VI, Dallas, Texas.

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