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RECEIVEnderground Injection Control Program

December 19, 2016

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Chestnut Exploration and Production, Inc. 2201 N. Central Expressway Suite 240 Richardson, TX 75080

RE: NOTICE TO OPERATOR: FAILED MECHANICAL INTERGRITY TEST UNDER UIC TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR 2016

Dear Operator:

Under the provisions of Division Rule 19.15.26.10(A) NMAC, an operator of an **INJECTION** (Salt Water **Disposal and Enhanced Recovery**) well or **PRODUCING** well in a special designated area must maintain and periodically test these wells for mechanical integrity. For injection wells, this includes external mechanical integrity tests (MITs) such as Bradenhead testing on casing where cement was not circulated to surface.

As detailed in Division Rule 19.15.26.11(A)(5) NMAC, it is the responsibility of the operator to notify and schedule with Division personnel the opportunity to witness any pending MITs. Prior to January 1, 2017, District I provided letters to operators of record that identified wells with violations of Rule 19.15.26.10(A) NMAC and the tests that were required.

This letter is to serve as "Notice of Failure" to comply with the rules referenced above for the listed well(s) in the attachment to this letter. By failing to comply, the listed well(s) have been recorded as "test failed". This will require that the wells listed be shut-in immediately and incoming lines to the wellhead be disconnected.

In addition, the listed well(s) will be forwarded to Mr. Daniel Sanchez, <u>daniel.sanchez@state.nm.us</u> 505-476-3493, Enforcement and Compliance Manager, Santa Fe. Upon receipt, Mr. Sanchez will consider further enforcement action(s) as necessary.

Sincerely,

Maxey G. Brown, District I Supervisor

Hobbs District Office

Phone: 575-393-6161 ext. 102

ATTACHMENT: List of Well(s) Subject to "Notice of Failure"

API # WELL NAME AND No. OPERATOR
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CHESTNUT EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION, INC 2201 N. CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY SUITE 240 RICHARDSON, TX 75080

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