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NOTICE 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

STATE 20 B No.019

Type Inspection

Inspector

Violation?

B-20-17S-29E *Significant 30-015-33215-00-00

Corrective

Inspection Date 07/08/2005

Routine/Periodic

Yes

Non-Compliance?

Action Due By:

Inspection No.

Violations

Chris Beadle

No

8/8/2005

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Surface Leaks/Spills Comments on Inspection:

Produced liquids were found pooled at the wellhead over approximately 30 square foot area. Heavy contamination needs to be remediated. Wellhead does not show leaking conditions (no

fresh liquids on casing, valves or flow line connections) and the source of the produced liquids around the wellhead could not be determined at time of inspection. Remediation of wellhead area

required.

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. Such a hearing may result in imposition of CIVIL PENALTIES for your violation of OCD rules.

Sincerely.

Artesia 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.