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## 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

HONDO 4 FEDERAL No.001				F-4-18S-31E	30-015-25146-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
12/01/2005	Routine/Periodic	Chris Beadle	Yes	No	12/15/2005	iCLB0533544197
	Violations					
	Evaporation Pits					

**Comments on Inspection:** Unlined pit in pasture at northeast corner of location. Flow line runs from location to the pit, liquids from this flow line contain oil. Flow into pit is slight but steady, pooled area covers appx 10 x 5 feet. Pit is fenced all around, south side of pit is netted (where fluids are pooled) but net has large holes torn in the netting. This pit is covered under OCD Order R-8432 and is registered under OCD Rule 19.50.2.50.C(2)(g)(ii)[NMAC].

OCD Rule 19.50.2.50.C(2)(e)[NMAC] states "No measurable or visible layer of oil may be allowed to accumulate or remain anywhere on the surface of any pit."

Please provide OCD District 2 Office with your method to ensure no measurable or visible oil is allowed to accumulate in this pit.

Notify NMOCD District 2 Office when all oil, and any impacted soils, have been removed from this pit.

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 Division 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.