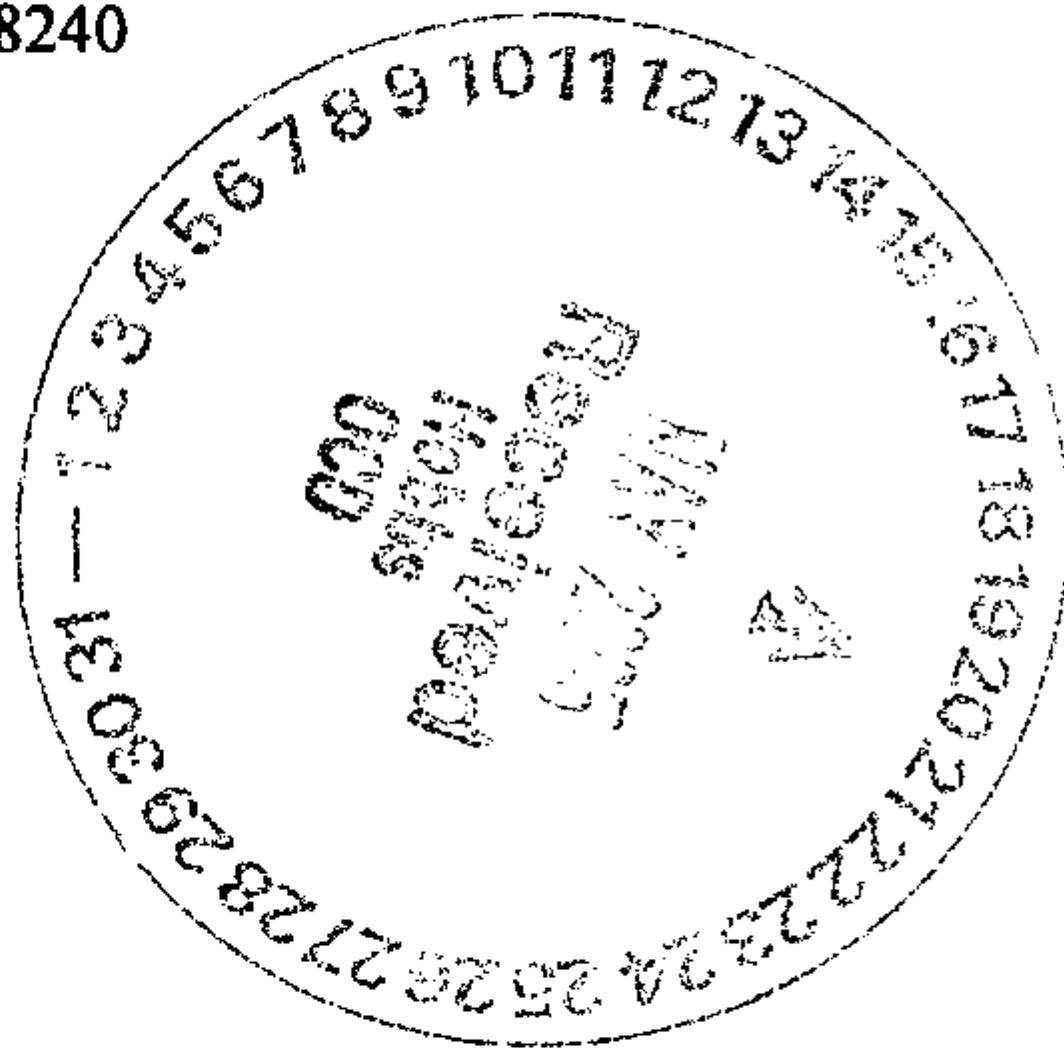


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88240**State of New Mexico**
Energy, Minerals and Natural ResourcesForm C-104A
Permit 10859**Oil Conservation Division****1220 S. St Francis Dr.**
Santa Fe, NM 87505**Change of Operator****Previous Operator Information**OGRID: 19174
Name: RICE OPERATING CO
Address: 122 W Taylor
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: Hobbs, NM 88240**New Operator Information**Effective Date: 04/01/2005
OGRID: 157984
Name: OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD
Address: PO Box 4294
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: Houston, TX 77210-4294

I hereby certify that the rules of the Oil Conservation Division have been complied with and that the information on this form and the certified list of wells is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Previous OperatorSignature: Printed
Name: Scott CurtisTitle: Operations ManagerDate: 5/13/05 Phone: 505-393-9174**New Operator**Signature: Printed
Name: Mark StephensTitle: Regulatory Compliance AnalystDate: 5/11/05 Phone: (713) 366-5158**NMOCD Approval**Electronic Signature: Chris Williams, District IDate: May 20, 2005