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# Inactive Well Additional Financial Assurance Report 21386 SOUTHWESTERN INC Total Well Count: 3 Printed On: Wednesday, May 24 2017

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#### State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

David R. Catanach, Division Director

**Oil Conservation Division** 

Susana Martinez Governor

**David Martin Cabinet Secretary** 

**Tony Delfin Deputy Cabinet Secretary** June 30, 2016

Southwestern Inc 1304 W. Broadway Pl Hobbs, NM 88240

#### **Notice of Violation**

Dear Southwestern Inc.

The Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") now reviews all operators out of compliance with the OCD's financial assurance requirements. Pursuant to 19.15.8.9 NMAC, an operator is required to furnish financial assurance acceptable to the OCD in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, plugging insurance policy, or cash or surety bond running to the state of New Mexico conditioned that the well be plugged and abandoned and the location restored and remediated in compliance with division rules. According to OCD records, Southwestern Inc is the operator of record of the attached list of wells that require additional financial assurance.

Failure to provide the OCD with acceptable financial assurance is a violation of OCD rules and the Oil and Gas Act, NMSA 1978 § 70-2 et. seq., and could be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each violation. NMSA 1978, § 70-2-31.

Please review 19.15.8 NMAC to determine the types and amounts of financial assurance that the OCD accepts. Immediate action is now required. If no response is received within 30 days, the OCD will take further compliance action against Southwestern Inc, including, but not limited to, seeking a formal order to require Southwestern Inc to provide acceptable financial assurance for the its wells at an OCD hearing and pursuing other legal available remedies to obtain compliance.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter, please contact the OCD Bond Administrator, Denise Gallegos at (505) 476-3453 to schedule a compliance conference to discuss the outstanding compliance issues.

Sincerely,

**Daniel Sanchez** OCD Compliance and Enforcement Manager, UIC Program Director Daniel.Sanchez@state.rm.us

Keith Herrmann, ENMRD Assistant General Counsel EC: Encl: Additional Financial Assurance Report

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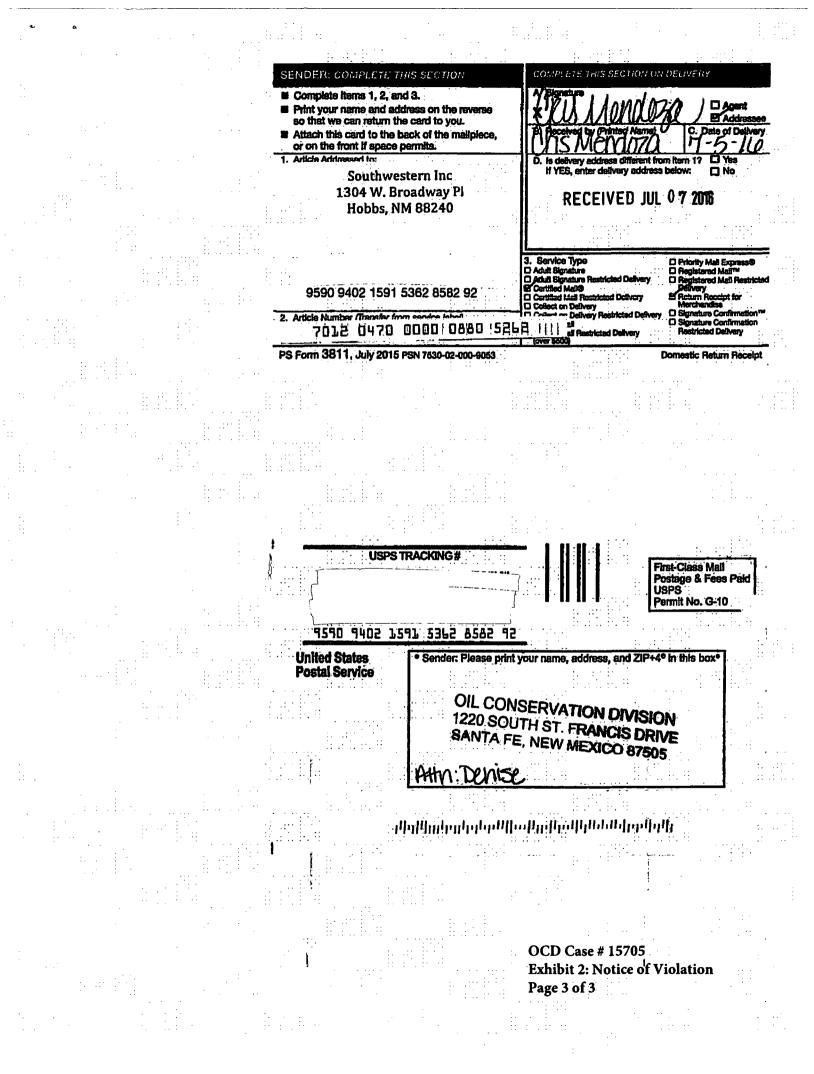
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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT BUREAU FOR A COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST SOUTHWESTERN, INC. FOR WELLS OPERATED IN EDDY AND LEA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 15705

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE**

In accordance with 19.15.4.9 and 19.15.4.12 NMAC, I hereby certify that notice of the May 25, 2017 hearing in the above captioned case was mailed to the following party(ies) by certified mail, return receipt requested, at least 20 days prior to the hearing date, with a copy of the application:

Southwestern, Inc. 1304 W. Broadway Pl. Hobbs, NM 88240

A copy of this notice is attached as *Exhibit 3-A* to this affidavit. The notice was also published in the "Artesia Daily Press" and the "The Lovington Leader," newspapers of general circulation in Eddy and Lea Counties. An affidavit of publication is provided in *Exhibit 3-B*.

Keith W. Herrmann

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN before me on this 24th day of May, 2017.

Notary Public

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**David Catanach**, Division Director

**Oil Conservation Division** 

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April 27, 2017

Southwestern, Inc. 1304 W. Broadway Pl. Hobbs, NM 88240

#### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT: 7012 0470 0000 0882 2177

Re: OCD Case No. 15705 for a Compliance Order against Southwestern, Inc.

Dear Operator:

Pursuant to the notice provisions contained in 19.15.4 NMAC, you are hereby notified that at 8:15 AM on May 25, 2017, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") will hold a hearing in front of a Division Examiner seeking an order determining that Southwestern, Inc. ("Operator") (1) is out of compliance with OCD rule 19.15.8 NMAC and NMSA 1978, § 70-2-14; (2) requiring Operator to return to compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC; and (3) in the event of non-compliance, finding the Operator in violation of a Division order for each day after the deadline established in the sought order to obtain acceptable financial assurance. The hearing will be held in Porter Hall at 1220 South St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Please review 19.15.4 NMAC to see applicable rules for division hearings. A person entitled to notice may enter an appearance at any time by filing a written notice of appearance with the division or the commission clerk, as applicable, or, subject to the provisions in Subsection C of 19.15.4.10 NMAC, by oral appearance on the record at the hearing. A party who has not entered an appearance at least one business day prior to the pre-hearing statement filing date provided in Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.4.13 NMAC shall not be allowed to present technical evidence at the hearing unless the Oil Conservation Commission chairman or the OCD examiner, for good cause, otherwise directs.

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If you have any questions regarding the hearing process, please contact me at (505) 476-3463 or keith.herrmann@state.nm.us.

Sincerely

Keith Herrmann Attorney for the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau

Encl: OCD Case No. 15705 Compliance and Enforcement Bureau Application for Hearing

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#### Legal Notice

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#### Affidavit of Publication

#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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#### COUNTY OF LEA

Joyce Clemens being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that she is Advertising Manager of THE LOVINGTON English language at Lovington, Lea County, New Mexico; that said newspaper has been so published in such county continuously and uninterruptedly for a period in excess of Twenty-six (26) consecutive weeks next prior to the first publication of the notice hereto attached as hereinafter shown; and that said newspaper is in all things duly qualified to publish legal notices within the meaning of Chapter 167 of the 1937 Session Laws of the State of New Mexico.

That the notice which is hereto attached. entitled Legal Notice was published in a regular and entire issue of THE LOVINGTON LEADER and not in any supplement thereof, for one (1) day(s), beginning with the issue of April 29, 2017 and ending with the issue of April 29, 2017.

And that the cost of publishing said notice is the sum of \$ 100.17 which sum has been (Paid) as Court Costs.

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Joyce/Clemens, Advertising Manager Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of May , 2017.

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

#### **NOTICE OF HEARING** STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT **OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION** SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice LEADER, a thrice a week newspaper of hearing to be held at 8:15 a.m. on May 25, 2017, in the Oil Conservation Division D examiner duly appointed for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who Is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of audilary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Florene Davidson at 605-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-858-1779 by May 15, 2017. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florens Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed. A party who plans on using projection equipment at a hearing must contact Florene Davidson seven (7) business days prior to the hearing requesting the use of the projection equipment. Wireless internet is available; however, the party must provide its own laptop computer. STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following cases and notice to the public. (NOTE: All land descriptions harein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.) Case No. 15704: Application of The New Mexico Oli Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau for a Compliance Order against Rhombus Operating Co., Ltd., for Wells Operated in Lea County, New Maxico. The New Maxico Oil Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau, ("Bureau") through its undersigned atomey, hereby files this application with the Oli Conservation Division" ("OCD or Division") pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, §70-2-12 for a compli-ance order (1) determining operator Rhombus Operating Co., Ltd. ("Operator") is out of compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC and NMSA 1978, § 70-2-14; (2) requiring Operator to return to compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC; and (3) in the event of non-compliance, finding the Operator in violation of a Division order for each day after the deadline established in the sought order to obtain acceptable financial assurance. <u>Case No.</u> 15705: Application of The New Mexico Oli Conservation Division Compliance Interval Application of the way matched the Conservation Division Compliances and Enforcement Bureau for a Compliance Order against Southwestern, Inc., for Wells Operated In Eddy and Lea Counties, New Maxico. The New Maxico OI Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau, ("Bureau") through its undersigned attorney, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("OCD or Division") pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, 870-2-12 for a compliance order (1) determining operator Southwestern, inc. ("Operator") is out of compli-ance with 19.15.8 NMAC and NMSA 1978, § 70-2-14; (2) requiring Operator to return to compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC; and (3) in the event of non-compliance, finding the Operator in violation of a Division order for each day after the deadline established in

the sought order to obtain acceptable financial assurance. Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Maxico on this 26th day of April, 2017. STATE OF NEW MEXICO

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION David R. Catanach Director, Oil Conservation Division** 8 E A L

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