

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

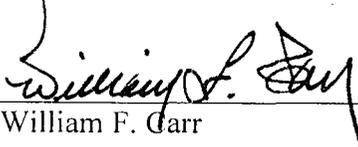
APPLICATION OF ARMSTRONG ENERGY
CORPORATION FOR AMENDMENT OF
DIVISION ORDER NO. R-13183 TO REMOVE
THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE PLUGGING
AND ABANDONMENT OF THE FEDERAL "A"
WELL NO. 1, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 14403

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
)ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Armstrong Energy Corporation, the Applicant herein, states that notice of the above-referenced Application was mailed to the interested parties shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto in accordance with Oil Conservation Division Rules, and that true and correct copies of the notice letter and proof of notice are attached hereto.



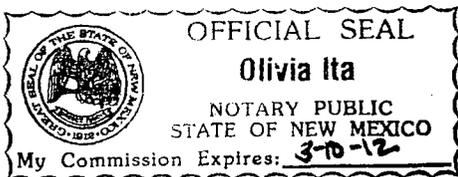
William F. Carr

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 2nd day of December, 2009 by William F. Carr.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3-10-12



BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
Case No. 14403 Exhibit No. 3
Submitted by:
ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION
Hearing Date: December 3, 2009

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE LIST

**SURFACE OWNERS AND
LEASEHOLD OPERATORS
ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION
ROUND TANK QUEEN WATERFLOOD PROJECT
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

SURFACE OWNER

Turkey Track Ranch
Post Office Box 153
Artesia, New Mexico 88211

LEASEHOLD OPERATORS

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Chase Oil Corporation
Post Office Box 860
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Slash Exploration Limited Partnership
c/o Armstrong Energy Corporation
Post Office Box 1973
Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1973

Lobos Energy Partners, LLC
3817 NW Expressway #950
Oklahoma city, Oklahoma 73112

Marshall & Winston, Inc.
Post Office Box 50880
Midland, Texas 79710

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: ALL AFFECTED INTEREST OWNERS IN THE ROUND TANK-QUEEN WATERFLOOD UNIT AREA.

Re: Application of Armstrong Energy Corporation for amendment of Division Order No. R-13183 to remove the requirement for the plugging and abandonment of the Federal "A" Well No. 1, Chaves County, New Mexico.

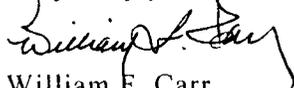
Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Armstrong Energy Corporation has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking amendment of Division Order No. R-13183 to remove the requirement for the plugging and abandonment of the Federal "A" Well No. 1. A copy of this application is enclosed for your information.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner at 8:15 AM on December 3, 2009. The hearing will be held in Porter Hall, in the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe Offices located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. You are not required to attend this hearing but, as the owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging this matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, three days in advance of a scheduled hearing. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr
Attorney for Armstrong Energy Corporation

cc: Bruce Stubbs, Armstrong Energy Corporation
Oil Conservation Division District Office - Artesia

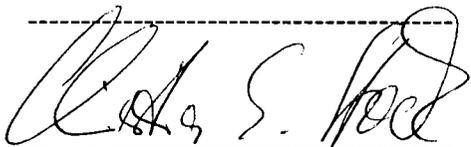
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I, Christina E. Stock
Legals Clerk

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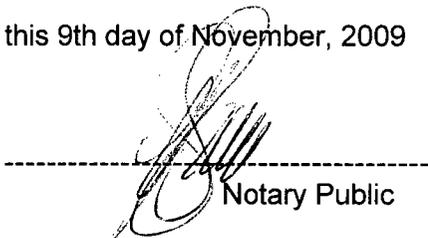
November 7, 2009



Clerk

Sworn and subscribed to before me

this 9th day of November, 2009



Notary Public

My Commission expires
June 13, 2010

(SEAL)

Publish November 7, 2009

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

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 pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on December 3, 2009, in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an 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 auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by November 23, 2009. Public documents including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florene Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

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 herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian, whether or not so stated.)

CASE NO. 14403

Application of Armstrong Energy Corporation for amendment of Division Order No. R-13183 to remove the requirement for the plugging and abandonment of the Federal "A" Well No. 1, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause, seeks amendment of Division Order No. R-13183 to remove the requirement for the plugging and abandonment of the Federal "A" Well No. 1, located 2310 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line of Section 29, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico. Said well is located approximately 13 miles northwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 4th day of November, 2009.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E., Director

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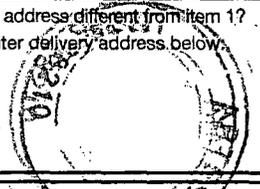
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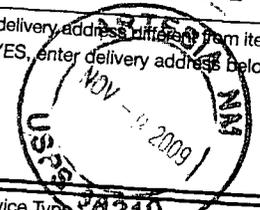
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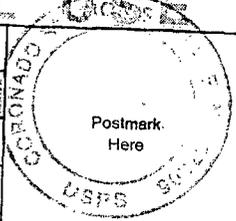
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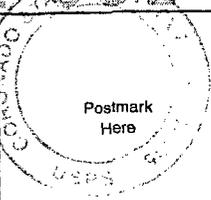
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