



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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## *Field Inspection Program*

*"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"*

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### **CBS OPERATING CORP**

PO BOX 2236

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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***

#### **COWTOWN UNIT No.101**

K-13-18S-28E

30-015-01843-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
03/01/2005	Routine/Periodic Violations Surface Leaks/Spills	Mike Bratcher	Yes	No	4/1/2005	iMLB0506052011

**Comments on Inspection:** Release has occurred at well head area. Contaminated area extends out across location. Release estimated at 5 bbls and was not reported. Tank battery for this well is West of well. Release has occurred along flow line. Contaminated area is a flowpath which runs along road down hill to a pooling area. Estimated release is 5-10 bbls and was not reported. Violations Rule 13 and Rule 116. Remediation 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 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,

Handwritten signature of Mike Bratcher in black ink.

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.