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**\*Response Required - Deadline Enclosed\***

*Field Inspection Program*  
*"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"*

04-Aug-16

MEWBOURNE OIL CO  
PO Box 5270  
Hobbs NM 88241-8241

**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**

**SANTO NINO 29 FEDERAL No.001**

E-29-18S-30E

30-015-28139-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621742677
<b>Violations</b>						
Tank Battery Equipment (Rules 114, 115)						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD TANK BATTERY NEEDS WINDSOCK OLD BARB WIRE TUBING CHEMICAL TANK ON LOCATION						

**SANTO NINO 19 FEDERAL No.001**

O-19-18S-30E

30-015-28329-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621735675
<b>Violations</b>						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJO. TANK BATTERIES OK WINDSOCK NEEDS REPAIR. OLD TUBING ON LOCATION						

**SANTO NINO 29 FEDERAL SWD No.001**

G-29-18S-30E 30-015-28698-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621745040
<b>Violations</b> Tank Battery Equipment (Rules 114, 115) General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. TANK BATTERIES NO WIND SOCK STAINING AROUND DRAINS OLD CONTAINMENT CONTAMINATED MATERIAL UNMARKED 55 GALLON DRUM ON LOCATION						

**ARIES 20 FEDERAL COM No.002H**

E-20-18S-30E 30-015-38392-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621732549
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJO. STAINING AROUND LOCATION. OLD UNMARKED 55 GALLON DRUM ON LOCATION						

**ARIES 20 FEDERAL COM No.003H**

L-20-18S-30E 30-015-39432-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621736559
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJO. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD OLD TUBING ON LOCATION						

**BRADLEY 30 FEDERAL No.003H**

E-30-18S-30E 30-015-40168-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621741968
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJO. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD TANK BATTERY NO WINDSOCK OLD CONTAINMENT TIN ON LOCATION						

**ARIES 20 FEDERAL COM No.004H**

M-20-18S-30E 30-015-40427-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621736166
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJO. FLARE OK. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD OLD TUBING / POLYPIPE ON LOCATION						

**BRADLEY 30 FEDERAL COM No.004H**

D-30-18S-30E 30-015-40934-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	ITM1621740779
<b>Violations</b> General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD						

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/04/2016	Routine/Periodic Violations	Tony Morales	Yes	No	11/7/2016	iTM1621732177
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						

Comments on Inspection: OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. PJ STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD  
POLY PIPE ON LOCATION. OPEN 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.

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.