

# State of New Mexico

## Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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

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

10-Jan-18

**OXY USA INC**  
PO Box 4294  
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### 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***

SAND DUNES 34 FEDERAL No.007				J-34-23S-31E	30-015-27500-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801041332
Violations						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
Comments on Inspection:		OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. HEAD 19.15.10.8		PJO. STAINING AROUND WELL		

STERLING SILVER 34 FEDERAL No.003				C-34-23S-31E	30-015-27937-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801040172
Violations						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
Comments on Inspection:		OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. FRESH OIL 19.15.10.8		PJ. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD		

**PURE GOLD D No.018**

I-28-23S-31E

**30-015-27999-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801045932
<b>Violations</b>						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>				OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. 19.15.10.8		
				PJ. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD		

**STERLING SILVER 34 FEDERAL No.004**

F-34-23S-31E

**30-015-31092-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801040600
<b>Violations</b>						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>				OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. 19.15.10.8		
				PJ. STAINING AROUND WELL HEAD		

**STERLING SILVER 34 FEDERAL No.007**

M-34-23S-31E

**30-015-31248-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801037242
<b>Violations</b>						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>				OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. STAINED AREA APPROX 10' X 25' 19.15.10.8		
				PJ STAINING AROUND WELLHEAD.		

**STERLING SILVER 33 FEDERAL No.012**

J-33-23S-31E

**30-015-34943-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801036387
<b>Violations</b>						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>				OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. 19.15.10.8		
				PJ STAINING AROUND WELLHEAD		

**STERLING SILVER 33 FEDERAL No.001H**

P-33-23S-31E

**30-015-39831-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/10/2018	Routine/Periodic	Tony Morales	Yes	No	4/15/2018	iTM1801037820
<b>Violations</b>						
General Housekeeping (Rule 114)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>				OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape. 19.15.10.8		
				PJ TNK BATTERY NO WINDSOCK OLD UNMARKED 55 GALLON DRUMS / OTHER DEBRIS THROUGHOUT LOCATION		

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 OGD 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.