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**\*Response Required – Deadline Enclosed\****Field Inspection Program**"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"*

01-Dec-08

COG OPERATING LLC

550 W TEXAS SUITE 1300

MIDLAND TX 79701

LOV NO. 2-08-172

## 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**

RED LAKE SAND UNIT No.045

P-20-17S-28E

30-015-33198-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
11/21/2008	Routine/Periodic	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	12/8/2008	iKMW0832638081

**Comments on Inspection:** Leak at valve, oil & water spraying out pooling on ground flowing west off location then south in field, violation of Rule 13 & 116. Pictures taken. Remediation will be required per OCD rules & guidelines, please submit a C-141, by corrective action due date. At 10:30 am I contacted Mike Bratcher to see if he could get a hold of someone at COG regarding this matter. Mr. Bratcher contacted Gary Gesling (the pumper for COG) at 10:42a to inform him of this leak. (575-631-7023)

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,



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.