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SAGA PETROLEUM LLC OF CO.

ATT: R.C. BARNETT

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MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

RE: SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT AND REMEDIATION REQUIRED ON P&A LOCATON.  
UT J-1-15s-29e ALTO STATE #2

30-005-60676

DEAR MR. R.C. BARNETT,

A FIELD INSPECTION MADE ON 2/11/2002 FOUND HISTORIC SPILLS AT YOUR P&A WELL LOCATION ALTO STATE #2. THE UNREPORTED SPILLS ARE IN VIOLATION OF R-116-A. AND R-116-D. CORRECTIVE ACTION.

THE WELL BOND WILL NOT BE RELEASED ON THE ALTO STATE #2 UNTIL THE ABOVE RULES ARE COMPLIED WITH AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE ON THE HISTORIC SPILLS AT YOUR ALTO STATE #2.

ENCLOSED WITHIN THIS PACKET IS A COPY OF THE GUIDELINES FOR REMEDIATION OF LEAKS, SPILLS AND RELEASES AND A COPY OF UNLINED SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT CLOSURE GUIDELINES.

O.C.D. REQUIRES SUBMISSION AND APPROVAL OF PLANS AND PROCEDURES FOR CLOSURE PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL CLOSURE OF ANY UNLINED SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT.

PLEASE SUBMIT TO N.M.O.C.D. A CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN AND/OR A REMEDIATION PLAN {USING THE GUIDELINES TO ASSIST YOU IN THIS MATTER} WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE RECEIPT OF THIS LETTER FOR THE HISTORIC SPILLS LOCATED AT THE ALTO STATE #2.

INCLUDE A CLOSURE PLAN FOR APPROVAL ON ANY UNLINED SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS THAT EXIST AT THE ALTO STATE #2 WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LETTER.

IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS, OR NEED ANY ASSISTANCE PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO E-MAIL ME AT M.STUBBLEFIELD@STATE.NM.US. OR CALL ME MY PHONE NUMBER IS 505-748-1283.

SINCERELY,

*Mike Stubblefield*

MIKE STUBBLEFIELD ENVIR. ENG. SPEC. 1 N.M.O.C.D.

00:00:00 (hrs) 30-005-60676-00-00 ALTO S 3002

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Comments: MEET WITH LEASE OPERATOR WA L BROOKS AND WENT OVER Routine/Periodic  
REMEDATION ACTIONS TO TAKE PLACE IN CORRECTION HISTORIC  
HYDROCARBON IMPACTED SOILS ON P&A LOCATION.