



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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**Via Certified Mail**

Sandlott Energy  
P. O. Box 711  
Lovington, New Mexico 88260

RE: NOTICE OF VIOLATION: NMOCD Rule 103 Well Identification  
Thomas State # 2 A-9-18-28 API# 30-015-25371

Ladies and Gentlemen:

**This letter shall serve as a Notice of Violation of the rules of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.**

You were notified of this matter by letters dated 9-15-2002 and 10-02-2002. This certified letter is being sent in part because all of the foregoing directives have brought no response. Field inspections indicate that there is not a sign on location.

Rule 103 of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division provides as follows:

**103 SIGN ON WELLS**

All wells and related facilities by the Division shall be identified by a sign, which sign shall remain in place until the well is plugged and abandoned and the related facilities are closed. For drilling wells, the sign shall be posted on the derrick or not more than 20 feet from the well. The sign shall be of durable construction and the lettering shall be legible and large enough to be read under normal conditions at a distance of 50 feet. The wells on each lease or property shall be numbered in non-repetitive, logical and distinctive sequence. An operator will have 90 days from the effective date of an operator name change to change the operator name on the well sign unless an extension of time, for good cause shown along with a schedule for making the changes, is granted. Each sign shall show the:

1. number of well;
2. name of property;
3. name of operator;
4. location by footage, quarter-quarter section, township and range (or Unit Letter can be substituted for the quarter-quarter section), and
5. API number.

[1-1-50...2-1-96; 6-30-97; A, 3-15-00]

Your failure to respond to OCD directives and failure to bring this well into compliance are serious violations and merit a severe sanction, up to and including abandonment and plugging as well as civil penalties. In the event that this well is not brought into compliance **on or before January 31, 2002** this third and **final Notice of Violation** precedes a request to the Division that you be summoned to a hearing in Santa Fe to **Show Cause why this well should not be plugged and civil penalties assessed.**

Respectfully yours,

Tim Gum, District Supervisor, District II  
cc: OCD Legal