

## United States Department of the Interior

MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE ROSWELL DISTRICT OFFICE POST OFFICE DRAWER 1857 ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88201

> \*October 15, 1982 RECEIVED

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN FECEIPT REQUESTED

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HNG Oil Company P. O. Box 2267 Midland, Texas 79701

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Gentlemen:

in the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 9 T, 24S., R.28E, Eddy County, New Mexico, which you operate was inspected on October 15, 1982 Federal Lease No. SRM-1338 result of this inspection, you are hereby requested to install seals on the following facilities:

X Liquid hydrocarbon storage tanks - both sales and drain connections, Meter prover Loops on LACT units, All lines connecting storage or treatment facilities to pits Other

Such seals must be installed within 24 hours following receipt of this letter. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in assessment of liquidated damages and the issuance of a shut-in order for the lease.

Seals are to be maintained on all valves which allow the exit of any liquid hydrocarbons from storage. It is the obligation of the operator to maintain a record of all seal removals and replacements with an appropriate explanation for each seal removal. This record shall be available for inspection by Minerals Management Service personnel during normal business hours.

You are further advised that these requirements apply to all federal leases which you operate. It shall be the policy from this date forward that a shut-in order will be issued for any lease found to be in noncompliance with those requirements for which you have been previously notified in writing by this office.

As operator, you have the right of administrative appeal to these requirements pursuant to Title 30 CFR 290.

Sincerely yours,

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James A. Gillham District Supervisor