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**\*Response Required - Deadline**

*Underground Injection Control Program*  
*"Protecting Our Underground Sources of Drinking"*

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CHEVRON USA INC.  
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P.O. BOX 2100  
HOUSTON, TX 77252

**LETTER OF VIOLATION and SHUT-IN  
DIRECTIVE Failed Mechanical Integrity Test**

Dear Operator:

The following test(s) were performed on the listed dates on the following well(s) shown below in the test detail section.

The test(s) indicates that the well or wells failed to meet mechanical integrity standards of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. To comply with guidelines established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the well(s) must be shut-in immediately until it is successfully repaired. The test detail section which follows indicates preliminary findings and/or probable causes of the failure. This determination is based on a test of your well or facility by an inspector employed by the Oil Conservation Division. Additional testing during the repair operation may be necessary to properly identify the nature of the well failure.

Please notify the proper district office of the Division at least 48 hours prior to the date and time that the well(s) will be retested so the test may be witnessed by a field representative.

**MECHANICAL INTEGRITY TEST DETAIL SECTION**

**NORTH VACUUM ABO WEST UNIT No.017**

**30-025-23835-00-00**

Active Injection - (All Types)

H-28-17S-34E

<b>Test Date:</b> 11/11/2013	<b>Permitted Injection PSI:</b>	<b>Actual PSI:</b>
<b>Test Reason:</b> 5-year Test	<b>Test Result:</b> F	<b>Repair Due:</b> 2/14/2014
<b>Test Type:</b> Std. Annulus Pres. Test	<b>FAIL TYPE:</b> Other Internal Failure	<b>FAIL CAUSE:</b>
<b>Comments on MIT:</b> FAILED PRESSURE TEST DUE TO TIME OF TEST; PRESSURE TESTS ARE FOR 30 MINUTES MINIMUM; **OPERATOR IN VIOLATION OF NMOCD RULE 19.15.26.11***		

**NORTH VACUUM ABO WEST UNIT No.015**

**30-025-23905-00-00**

Approved TA Injection - (All Types)

D-27-17S-34E

<b>Test Date:</b> 11/11/2013	<b>Permitted Injection PSI:</b>	<b>Actual PSI:</b>
<b>Test Reason:</b> 5-year Test	<b>Test Result:</b> F	<b>Repair Due:</b> 2/14/2014
<b>Test Type:</b> Std. Annulus Pres. Test	<b>FAIL TYPE:</b> Other Internal Failure	<b>FAIL CAUSE:</b>
<b>Comments on MIT:</b> FAILED PRESSURE TEST; FAILED DUE TO TIME OF TEST; REQUIRED TESTING SHOULD BE 30 MINUTES OR MORE; ***OPERATOR IN VIOLATION OF NMOCD RULE 19.15.26.14 *** PLEASE RETEST FOR MINIMUM OF 500#/30 MINUTES BY FEBRUARY 18, 2014;		

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**CENTRAL VACUUM UNIT No.071**

**30-025-25727-00-00**  
G-36-17S-34E

Active Injection - (All Types)

**Test Date:** 11/18/2013      **Permitted Injection PSI:**      **Actual PSI:**  
**Test Reason:** Annual IMIT      **Test Result:** F      **Repair Due:** 2/21/2014  
**Test Type:** Bradenhead Test      **FAIL TYPE:** Other Internal Failure      **FAIL CAUSE:**  
**Comments on MIT:** BHT REPORTED 11/18/2013 SHOWS WELL TO HAVE 280# AND BLED DOWN TO 0# NOTED FOR PROD. CASING AND 1900# ON TUBING; (NOTE: THIS WELL HAS TUBING CEMENTED PER ORDER R-5530-F) QUESTIONABLE RESULTS ON BHT SURVEY FOR 11/18/2013; \*\*OPERATOR PLEASE RECHECK WELL AND VERIFY RESULTS OF BRADENHEAD TEST\*\*\*SUBMIT INFORMATION TO MAXEY G. BROWN @ 575-370-3179 OR SYLVIA A. DICKEY @ 575-370-3188 BY FEBRUARY 18, 2014;

**VACUUM GLORIETA WEST UNIT No.049**

**30-025-30967-00-00**  
M-30-17S-35E

Approved TA Oil (Producing)

**Test Date:** 11/15/2013      **Permitted Injection PSI:**      **Actual PSI:**  
**Test Reason:** Annual IMIT      **Test Result:** F      **Repair Due:** 2/18/2014  
**Test Type:** Bradenhead Test      **FAIL TYPE:** Other Internal Failure      **FAIL CAUSE:**  
**Comments on MIT:** FAILED BHT; PER BHT SURVEY REPORTED 11/15/2013, PRODUCTION CASING SHOWS 1250#. FAILED DUE TO PRESSURE ON CASING, WELL RECORD STATES TA STATUS EXPIRES ON 7/27/2014.\*\*OPERATOR IN VIOLATION OF NMOCD RULE 19.15.25.14\*\*\* (DEMONSTRATING MECHANICAL INTEGRITY FOR TEMPORARY ABANDONMENT)

**CENTRAL VACUUM UNIT No.244**

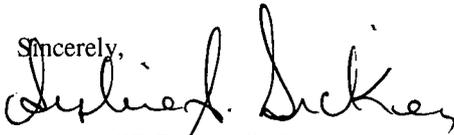
**30-025-32810-00-00**  
B-6-18S-35E

Active Injection - (All Types)

**Test Date:** 10/29/2013      **Permitted Injection PSI:**      **Actual PSI:**  
**Test Reason:** 5-year Test      **Test Result:** F      **Repair Due:** 2/1/2014  
**Test Type:** Std. Annulus Pres. Test      **FAIL TYPE:** Other Internal Failure      **FAIL CAUSE:**  
**Comments on MIT:** FAILED PRESSURE TEST; \*\*\*OPERATOR IN VIOLATION OF NMOCD RULE 19.15.26.11\*\*

In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter of direction by the "Repair Due:" date shown above, or if the well(s) are not immediately shut-in, 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,



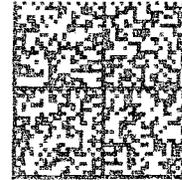
Hobbs OCD District Office

**COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

Note: Pressure Tests are performed prior to initial injection, after repairs and otherwise, every 5 years; Bradenhead Tests are performed annually. Information in Detail Section comes directly from field inspector data entries - not all blanks will contain data. "Failure Type" and "Failure Cause" and any Comments are not to be interpreted as a diagnosis of the condition of the wellbore. Additional testing should be conducted by the operator to accurately determine the nature of the actual failure. \* Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the EPA, Region VI, Dallas, Texas.



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