

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

IN RE THORTON OPERATING CORPORATION

CASE NO. 21556

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION'S
DOCKETING NOTICE**

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), pursuant to 19.15.5.10(E)(2)(a) NMAC, gives notice that it has docketed the Notice of Violation (“NOV”) attached as Exhibit A, and states the following in support thereof:

1. On October 1, 2020, OCD issued the NOV to Thorton Operating Corporation (“Thorton”).
2. The NOV, which is incorporated by reference, identifies the factual basis for the alleged violation, the compliance action required to remedy the alleged violation, and the proposed sanction.
3. The NOV states that if Thorton does not informally resolve the NOV within 30 days of receipt of service, then OCD will hold a hearing.
4. On October 7, 2020, OCD served the NOV on Thorton by certified mail.
5. On November 6, 2020, the informal resolution period for the NOV expired.
6. Thorton did not contact OCD during the 30 day informal resolution period, and the period expired without resolution of the NOV.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on November 9, 2020, I served this pleading by first class and electronic mail on:

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