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April 12, 2017

Elmira T Welch
3501 146th St
Lubbock, TX 79423

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT 7012 0470 0000 0882 4607

Travelers Indemnity Company
Via the New Mexico Superintendent of Insurance

Re OCD Case No 15699 for a Compliance Order against the Elmira T Welch

Dear Operator

Pursuant to the notice provisions contained in 19 15 4 NMAC, you are hereby notified that at 8 15 AM on May 11, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") will hold a hearing in front of a Division Examiner seeking an order determining that the Elmira T Welch ("Operator") (1) is out of compliance with 19 15 5 9, 19 15 8, and 19 15 25 8 NMAC, (2) requiring Operator to return to compliance with 19 15 5 9, 19 15 8, and 19 15 25 8 NMAC, and (3) in the event of non-compliance, finding the Operator in violation of a Division Order for each day after the deadline established in the sought order to obtain compliance, declaring the well abandoned, and authorizing the OCD to plug the violating well in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program and restore and remediate the location, recover costs from the Operator's financial assurance as permitted by 19 15 8 13 NMAC, and seek indemnification as permitted by NMSA 1978, § 70-2-14(E)

The Operator has furnished the OCD with one single well financial assurance, bond no 427F250-4 from Travelers Indemnity Company for \$5,000 00 If the Operator does not comply with the sought Division Order, those funds could be forfeited

The hearing will be held in Porter Hall at 1220 South St Francis Dr , Santa Fe New Mexico

Please review 19 15 4 NMAC to see applicable rules for division hearings A person entitled to notice may enter an appearance at any time by filing a written notice of appearance with the division or the commission clerk, as applicable, or, subject to the provisions in Subsection C of 19 15 4 10 NMAC, by oral appearance on the record at the hearing A party who has not entered an appearance at least one business day prior to the pre-hearing statement filing date provided in Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19 15 4 13 NMAC shall not be allowed to present technical evidence at the hearing unless the commission chairman or the division examiner, for good cause, otherwise directs

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If you have any questions regarding the hearing process, please contact me at (505) 476-3463 or keith.herrmann@state.nm.us

Sincerely



Keith Herrmann
Attorney for the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
Compliance and Enforcement Bureau

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