

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

**APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR  
AN ORDER REQUIRING STEVENS OPERATING CORPORATION TO PLUG  
SEVEN WELLS AND ORDERING A FORFEITURE OF APPLICABLE  
FINANCIAL ASSURANCE IN EVENT OF OPERAOR'S NON-COMPLIANCE;  
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. 13675

**APPLICATION FOR PLUGGING AND FORFEITURE OF BOND**

1. Stevens Operating Corporation ("Operator") is the operator of the following wells (the subject wells) in Chaves County, New Mexico:

<u>Well Name</u>	<u>API No.</u>	<u>Location</u>
O'BRIEN C #001	30-005-10188	M-1 -09S-28E
O'BRIEN C #004	30-005-60330	L-1 -09S-28E
O'BRIEN C #009	30-005-62661	E-1 -09S-28E
O'BRIEN DQ #001	30-005-60731	4-30-07S-29E
O'BRIEN DQ #002	30-005-61017	N-30-07S-29E
O'BRIEN EA #001	30-005-62240	F-33-07S-29E
WEST WHITE RANCH #002	30-005-10094	H-1 -12S-28E

2. Operator has posted the following applicable financial assurance:  
  
\$50,000 blanket surety bond number AR71396-61 issued by American Employers' Insurance Company.

3. The subject wells have been inactive for more than one year plus ninety days, and have not been approved for temporary abandonment.

WHEREFORE, the Supervisor of District II of the Division requests an order:

- A. Determining that the subject wells should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- B. Directing the Operator to plug the subject wells by a date certain, and thereafter to remediate the sites in accordance with OCD Rules.
- C. Ordering that if the Operator, or American Employers' Insurance Company, fails to plug the subject wells within the time provided, the Division be authorized: (i) to plug the subject wells and remediate the sites; and (ii) to declare forfeit the above-described financial assurance.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



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Case No. 13675. **Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an Order Requiring Stevens Operating Corporation to Plug 7 Wells and Ordering Forfeiture of Applicable Financial Assurance in Event of Operator's Non-Compliance, Chaves County, New Mexico.** The Applicant seeks an order requiring Stevens Operating Corporation to plug the following wells and to forfeit applicable security:

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