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The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to taw and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on April 27, 2006, in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Sanla Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appointed for the hearing. If you are, an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Florence Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by April 17, 2006. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florence Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following cases and notice to the public.

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:

Well Name	API No.	Location
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
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#002	30-005-10094	H-1-12S-28E

Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe. New Mexico on this 29th day of March, 2006.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. Division Director

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