



# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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November 2, 2009

Armstrong Energy Corporation  
Attn: Mr. Bruce A. Stubbs  
P.O. Box 1973  
Roswell, NM 88202

**Re: Round Tank Queen Unit Well No. 7  
Order No. R-13183**

Dear Mr. Stubbs:

Please be advised that injection into the referenced well **IS NOT AUTHORIZED** unless or until the required remedial work prescribed in Paragraph No. 9 of Order No. R-13183, including plugging of the Federal A Weill No. 1, is accomplished.

Order No. R-13183 can only be modified by written order issued by the Director after notice and hearing. You are at liberty to file a motion to re-open this matter and request that it be set for hearing. However, in the meantime, you must not begin injection. If injection has begun, it must immediately cease, unless and until this order is modified, or the required remedial work is performed.

If you have questions or other concerns, please contact Richard Ezeanyim at 505-476-3467.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.  
Director

cc:

Mr. Daniel Sanchez, OCD Santa Fe  
Mr. Randy Dade, OCD Artesia  
Mr. William F. Carr





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October 28, 2009

Mr. Terry Warnell  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
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Re: Round Tank Queen Waterflood Unit  
Chaves County, New Mexico  
Case No.: 14342  
Order No.: R-13183

Dear Mr. Warnell:

As stated in Order No.: R-13183, Item No.:9 "Prior to Injection into the Round Tank Queen Unit #7, the Federal "A" No. 1, API No.: 30-005-60336, shall be properly plugged and abandoned". To resolve the issue with the Federal "A" No. 1 well, a meeting was held on October 22, 2009 with Mr. Randy Dade, OCD District 2 Supervisor, at the OCD Artesia Office to review the records on this well.

After reviewing the logs, well data and plugging information, it was concluded that the Federal "A" #1 well is located east of the Queen porosity pinchout and there is not a zone capable of transmitting fluids and that the well is plugged in a manner to prohibit fluid movement to any potential fresh water zones or other zones productive of oil or gas. Therefore, it will not be necessary to replug the Federal "A" No. 1 well.

Based upon the conclusion reached by Mr. Dade that the Federal "A" No. 1 has been properly plugged, we are preparing to begin injection in the Round Tank Queen Unit #7.

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**Should you need any additional information, please call me at 575-624-2800. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.**

**ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION**

By: 

**Bruce A. Stubbs, Vice President-Operations**

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**cc: Mr. Randy Dade  
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