

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

**BILL RICHARDSON** 

Governor Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary

24-Jun-09

## PLATINUM EXPLORATION INC

550 WEST TEXAS AVENUE SUITE 500 MIDLAND TX 79701-

## LETTER OF VIOLATION - Inactive Well(s)

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.

Director

**Oil Conservation Division** 

Dear Operator:

A review of our records and recent inspection(s) indicate that the subject well(s) has been shut-in for an extended period of time. Rule 201 of the Rules and Regulation of the Oil Conservation Division provides that a well may be shut-in no longer than sixty days after suspension of drilling operations, upon determining that ther well is no longer usable (e.g., a dry hole), or one year after last production. To comply with guidelines as established in the Rules and Regulations, corrective actions must be taken immediately and the well(s) brought into compliance.

The detail section below indicates preliminary findings and/or probable nature of the violation.

The following options are available:

- 1. Immediately restore the well(s) to production, injection or disposal as applicable.
- 2. Request 'Temporary Abandoned' status pursuant to Rule 203, which requires that you set a plug and conduct a mechanical integrity test.
- 3. Submit a proposal to 'Plug and Abandon' the well(s) pursuant to Rule 202, proceed with plugging procedures on a timely basis after the proposal has been evaluated, amended and/or approved

In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter of direction by the "Corrective Action Due By:" date shown above, further enforcement will occur. Such enforcement may include this office applying to the Division for an order summoning you to a hearing before a Division Examiner in Santa Fe to show cause why you should not be ordered to permanently plug and abandon this well. Such a hearing may result in imposition of CIVIL PENALTIES for your violation of OCD rules.

IDLE WELL INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION					
BARNHILL 001	L-1-14S-37E	30-025-28198-00-00	Inspection No. iMGB0917559776		
Inspection Date: 6/24/2009 4:36:16 PM		Corrective Action Due by: 7/27/2009			
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?		
Routine/Periodic	Maxey Brown	Yes	No		
Comments on Inspection:		MONTHS. NEED TO INSTAI	TO PROD., T/A, OR P/A WELL. NO LL WELL SIGN RULE 19.15.16.8. THI		
POST 002	M-1-14S-37E	30-025-28295-00-00	Inspection No. iMGB0917558556		
Inspection Date: 6/24/20	ection Date: 6/24/2009 4:15:56 PM		Corrective Action Due by: 7/27/2009		
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?		
Routine/Periodic	Maxey Brown	Yes	No		
Comments on Inspection:	Idie Weil (Rule19.15.25.8). REPORTED IN OVER 35 I IS IST LETTER OF NON-	MONTHS. NEED TO INSTAI	DD., T/A, OR P/A WELL. NO PROD LL WELL SIGN (RULE 1915.168) TH		

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Case 14380

OCD Exhibit 12

Inspection Date: 6/24/2009 4:23:46 PM		Corrective Action Due by: 7/27/2009		
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	
Routine/Periodic	Maxey Brown	Yes	No	
Comments on Inspection:	Idle Well (Rule 19 15.25.8) NEED TO REPORTED IN 46 MONTHS. ALSO I 19.15.29 8. CORRECT LEAK AND FI 19.15.29.11. THIS IS 1ST LETTER OF	NEED TO REMOVE LL IN CELLAR TO I	OIL FROM CELLAR. RULE KEEP LIVSTOCK OUT. RULE	

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and your efforts in helping to protect our environment and the infrastructure of the oil and gas industry.

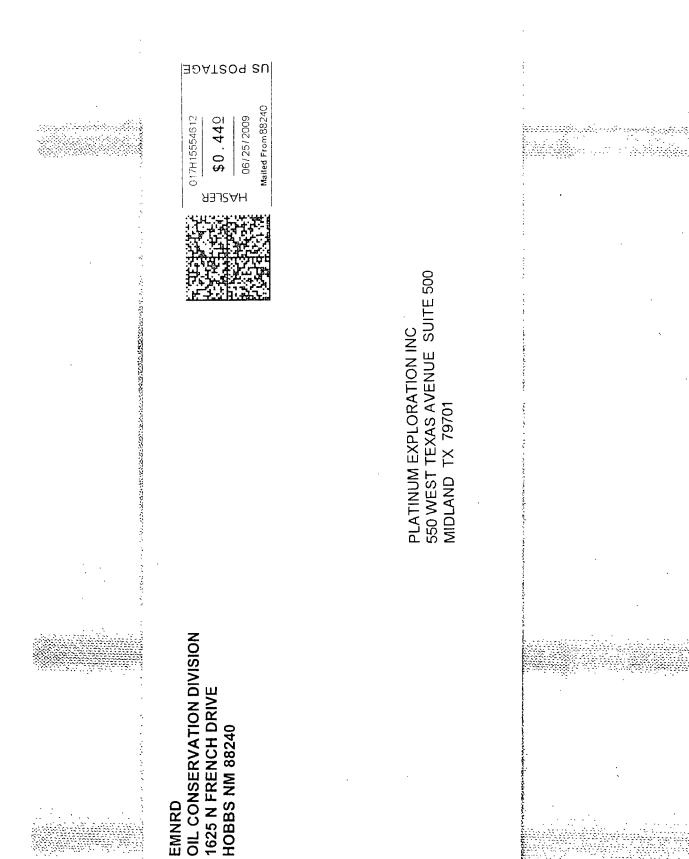
Sincerely,

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## Hobbs OCD District Office

\* Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI. Dallas, Texas

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