

Nelson, Linda

From: Guye, Gerry
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2004 3:00 PM
To: Nelson, Linda
Subject: FW: Melrose Operating Company

Linda
 Please put this e-mail in these well files.

Gerry

-----Original Message-----

From: Ann Ritchie [mailto:ann.ritchie@wtor.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2004 10:16 AM
To: Guye, Gerry
Cc: trinityengineering@att.net
Subject: Re: Melrose Operating Company

Mr. Guye,
 After talking with Tony Beilman, I believe that we will re-file the C-101 & C-102, along with the Pit Application filing. The wells (84/30-015-31465; 85/30-015-31485; 86/30-015-31486) were not drilled when expected, pending a revised Waterflood Order pertaining to Melrose's Artesia Unit. We have received confirmation of the order so Melrose will proceed ahead on the waterflood/drilling pattern expansion. I should have the filings to the district office by 8-24-04.
 Please let me know if you need any further information concerning these wells.
 Thank you,
 Ann Ritchie, Regulatory Agent
 Melrose Operating Co.
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From: Guye, Gerry
To: 'Ann Ritchie'
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2004 3:01 PM
Subject: RE: Melrose Operating Company

The permits for these wells has expired however the drilling pits were opened and remain so.

NMOCD Rule 19.15.2.50 A (3) reads in part

(b) Existing pits or new below-grade tanks. For each pit or below-grade tank in existence on April 15, 2004

that has not received an exemption after hearing as allowed by OCC Order R-3221 through R-3221D inclusive, the operator shall

submit a notice not later than April 15, 2004 indicating either that use of the pit or below-grade tank will continue or that such

pit or below grade tank will be closed. If use of a pit or below-grade tank is to be discontinued, discharge into the pit or use of

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the below-grade tank shall cease not later than June 30, 2005. If use of a pit or below-grade tank will continue, the operator

shall file a permit application not later than September 30, 2004. If an operator files a timely, administratively complete

application for continued use, use of the pit or below-grade tank may continue until the division acts upon the permit application.

Rule 50 also requires that the pits be fenced and contain no fluid if they are not lined.

I recommend you get a copy of our Rulebook on www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd and file the necessary paper work in order to get these wells back into compliance.

Gerry Guye
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NMOCD District II - Artesia

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From: Ann Ritchie [mailto:ann.ritchie@wtor.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2004 10:07 AM

To: gguye@state.nm.us

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Subject: Melrose Operating Company

Mr. Guye,
Concerning your letter to Melrose Operating Co. of 7-27-04 concerning the status of the Artesia Unit, Well #84 (30-015-31465), Well # 85 (30-015-31485) and Well #86 (30-015-31486), the wells have not been drilled.

We will need to re-file the OCD Forms C-101 and C-102 to get them re-permitted, as they have expired, according to my records. Melrose intends to re-start their waterflood and drilling expansion in the Artesia Unit sometime in September 2004.

Please let me know if you need any further information concerning these wells.

Thank you,
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