State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Response Required - Deadline Enclosed

26-Jun-17

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LETTER OF VIOLATION - Inactive Well(s)

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 19.15.25.8 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 this 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 19.15.25.13, 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 19.15.25.9, 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

CONE 22 FEDERAL 001		M-22-18S-29E 30-015-0345		00-00	Inspection No.	iGC1717343468
Inspection Date: 6/22/2017 12:04:27 PM			Corrective Action Due by: 9/25/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector		Violation?	*Significan	t Non-Compliance?
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corder	O	Yes		No
Comments on Inspection:		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8 FRESH OIL ON POLISHED				NO MOTOR ON PJ.
NORTH SHUGAR UNIT 008	T QUEEN	I-20-18S-31E	30-015-05586-	00-00	Inspection No.	iGC1717035523

Inspection Date:	Inspection Date: 6/19/2017 9:52:02 AM		Corrective Action Due by: 9/22/2017				
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corder	ro Yes	No			
		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8 WELL	LAST REPORTED PRODUC	RTED PRODUCTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN			
NORTH SHUGART UNIT 003	QUEEN	H-20-18S-31E	30-015-05588-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717030380			
Inspection Date: 6/19/2017		7 8:26:17 AM	Correct	Corrective Action Due by: 9/22/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corder	ro Yes	No			
Comments on Inspection:		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODU OLD TANK ON LOCATION		CTION 9-1-09. PJ WITH NO MOTOR.			
NORTH SHUGART UNIT 005	QUEEN	F-21-18S-31E	30-015-05593-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717031074			
Inspection Date: 6/19/2017		7 8:37:53 AM	Correct	ctive Action Due by: 9/22/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corde	ro Yes	No			
-		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8 WELL	LAST REPORTED PRODUC	CTION 10-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT I			
NORTH SHUGART JNIT 001	QUEEN	C-21-18S-31E	30-015-05597-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717031431			
Inspection Date:	6/19/2017	7 8:43:49 AM	Correct	tive Action Due by: 9/22/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corder	ro Yes	No			
		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, I WELL, TANK ON LOCATION		CTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN			
NORTH SHUGART UNIT 006	QUEEN	K-21-18S-31E	30-015-05598-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717033757			
Inspection Date: 6/19/2017		7 9:22:35 AM	Correct	Corrective Action Due by: 9/22/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corde	ro Yes	No			
Comments on Inspec	tion:	Violation of rule 19.15.25.8	LAST REPORTED PRODUC	CTION 9-1-09. NO MOTOR ON PJ,			
NORTH SHUGART JNIT 011	QUEEN	N-21-18S-31E	30-015-05600-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717034057			
Inspection Date: 6/19/2017		9:27:36 AM Correc		ctive Action Due by: 9/22/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corde	ro Yes	No			
		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODU WELL, LEAK AT WELL HEAD		CTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN			
OONNELLY PAN A 01Y	MERICA	N G-5-19S-31E	30-015-05739-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717245990			
Inspection Date:	6/21/2017	7 12:46:29 PM	Correct	tive Action Due by: 9/24/2017			
Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?			
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corde	ro Yes	No			
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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, Gilbert Cordero Staff Mgr

Artesia OCD District Office

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