# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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#### \*Response Required - Deadline Enclosed\*

26-Jun-17

TOM R CONE 1304 W BROADWAY PL **HOBBS NM 88240-**

## **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	L 001	M-22-18S-29E	30-015-03457	-00-00	Inspection No.	iGC1717343468	
<b>Inspection Date:</b>	Inspection Date: 6/22/2017 12:04:27 PM			Corrective Action Due by: 9/25/2017			
<b>Type Inspection</b>		Inspector		Violation?	*Significan	t Non-Compliance?	
Routine/Periodic		Gilbert Corder	ro	Yes		No	
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>		Violation of rule 19.15.25.8 FRESH OIL ON POLISHE				NO MOTOR ON PJ.	
NORTH SHUGART	QUEEN	I-20-18S-31E	30-015-05586	-00-00	Inspection No.	. iGC1717035523	

**UNIT 008** 

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		
Comments on Inspection:	Violation of rule 19.15.25.8 WELL	. LAST REPORTED PRODUC	CTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN		
NORTH SHUGART QUEEN UNIT 003	H-20-18S-31E	30-015-05588-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717030380		
Inspection Date: 6/19/201	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 OLD TANK ON LOCATIO		CTION 9-1-09. PJ WITH NO MOTOR.		
NORTH SHUGART QUEEN UNIT 005	F-21-18S-31E	30-015-05593-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717031074		
Inspection Date: 6/19/2017	8:37:53 AM Corre		ctive 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 WELL	LAST REPORTED PRODUC	CTION 10-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN		
NORTH SHUGART QUEEN UNIT 001	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		
Comments on Inspection:	Violation of rule 19.15.25.8 WELL, TANK ON LOCAT		CTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN		
NORTH SHUGART QUEEN UNIT 006	K-21-18S-31E	30-015-05598-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717033757		
Inspection Date: 6/19/2017	9:22:35 AM Correc		ctive Action Due by: 9/22/2017		
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?		
Routine/Periodic	Gilbert Corder	ro Yes	No		
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b>	Violation of rule 19.15.25.8	LAST REPORTED PRODUC	CTION 9-1-09. NO MOTOR ON PJ,		
NORTH SHUGART QUEEN UNIT 011	N-21-18S-31E	30-015-05600-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717034057		
Inspection Date: 6/19/201	7 9:27:36 AM	Correc	tive Action Due by: 9/22/2017		
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?		
Routine/Periodic	Gilbert Corde	ro Yes	No		
Comments on Inspection:	Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 9-1-09. NO PJ WELL, LEAK AT WELL HEAD		CTION 9-1-09. NO PJ, RODS LEFT IN		
DONNELLY PAN AMERICA 001Y	<b>AN</b> G-5-19S-31E	30-015-05739-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1717245990		
Inspection Date: 6/21/201	7 12:46:29 PM	Correc	tive Action Due by: 9/24/2017		
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?		
Routine/Periodic	Gilbert Corde	ro Yes	No		
Comments on Inspection;		. WELL IS PUMPING BUT S			

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

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