Form 3160-5 (April 2004)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

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Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to resenter an RECEIVED abandoned well. Use Form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals - ARTESIA				6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name		
SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE -	Other instructions	on reverse side	2000	7. If Unit or CA	/Agreement, Name and/or No	
Type of Well Oil Well Gas Well Other 2. Name of Operator	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				15 Fed Com #3	
Nearburg Producing Company 3a. Address	<u> </u>	3b. Phone No. (include a	rea code)	9. API Well No.		
3300 N A St., Bldg 2, Ste 120, Midland, TX 79705 432/686-8235 x 203			•	30-015-28679 10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area		
4. Location of Well (Foolage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey 2011 FNL and 672 FWL, Sec 15-19S-25	Description)			l	w; Upper Penn,	
				Eddy	M	
12. CHECK APPROPRIATE	BOX(ES) TO IND	DICATE NATURE OF	NOTICE, REP	ORT, OR OTH	IER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION					
X Notice of Intent Subsequent Report Final Abandonment Notice	Acidize Alter Casing Casing Repair Change Plans Convert to Injection		Reclamation Recomplet Temporari Water Disp	e y Abandon osal	Water Shut-Off Well Integrity X Other TA Extension	
 Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clear If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recom Attach the Bond under which the work will be pe 	olete horizontally, give s	ubsurface locations and mea	sured and true ver	tical depths of all	pertinent markers and zones.	

following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompletion in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the final site is ready for final inspection.)

NPC requests extension on subject TA due to NPC's activity in the Yeso in this field.

Accepted for record

SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Title			
Prod/ Reg Analyst			
Date 10/25/06	ACCEPTED FOR RECORD		
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Temporary Abandonment of Wells on Federal Lands Conditions of Approval

A temporarily abandoned well is defined as a completion that is not capable of production in paying quantities but which may have value as a service well. Pursuant to 43 CFR 3162.3-4 (c), no well may be temporarily abandoned for more than 30 days without the prior approval of the authorized officer.

Temporary Abandonment (TA) status approval requires a successful mechanical or casing integrity test as follows:

- 1. A Notice of Intent (NOI) Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) requesting approval to run a mechanical integrity test (MIT) or casing integrity test (CIT).
- 2. A description of the temporary abandonment procedure.
 - a. A bridge plug or packer must be installed as close to 50 feet above any open perforations or open hole as possible. If a cement plug is used, the top of the cement must be verified by tagging.
 - b. The wellbore must be filled with corrosion inhibited fluid and pressure tested to 500 psi. The casing shall be capable of holding this pressure for at least 30 minutes with a 10% allowable leakoff.
 - c. All downhole production/injection equipment (tubing, rods, etc.) shall be removed from the casing if they are not isolated by a packer.
 - d. A bradenhead test must be conducted. If the test indicates a problem exists, a remedial plan and time frame for remediation shall be submitted within ninety (90) days of the test.
 - e. Contact the appropriate BLM office at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled Casing Integrity Test. For wells in Eddy County, 505-234-5972; Lea County 505-393-3612.
- 3. Provides justification why the well should be temporarily abandoned rather than permanently plugged and abandoned and an estimated date that the well will be returned to beneficial use or plugged and abandoned.

Wells that successfully pass the casing integrity test will be approved for Temporary Abandonment (TA) status for a 12 month period provided that the operator:

- Submits a subsequent Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) requesting TA approval.
- 2. Describes the temporary abandonment procedure.
- 3. Attaches a clear copy or the original of the pressure test chart.

The TA status could be extended for an additional 12 month period without another casing integrity test provided there was no leak-off during the test and the test was witnessed by a BLM representative. The operator must submit a sundry notice requesting an extension of TA status 30 days prior to expiration of the previous approval and appropriate justification for extending the TA status is included.

If the well does not pass the casing integrity test, then the operator shall within 30 days submit to BLM for approval one of the following:

- A procedure to repair the casing so that a TA approval can be granted.
- 2. A procedure to plug and abandon the well.