

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Response Required - Deadline Enclosed

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CHI OPERATING INC

P.O. BOX 1799

MIDLAND TX 79702

LOV NO. 02-08-091

LETTER OF VIOLATION - Inspection

Dear Operator:

The following inspection(s) indicate that the well, equipment, location or operational status of the well(s) failed to meet standards of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division as described in the detail section below. To comply with standards imposed by Rules and Regulations of the Division, corrective action must be taken immediately and the situation brought into compliance. The detail section indicates preliminary findings and/or probable nature of the violation. This determination is based on an inspection of your well or facility by an inspector employed by the Oil Conservation Division on the date(s) indicated.

Please notify the proper district office of the Division, in writing, of the date corrective actions are scheduled to be made so that arrangements can be made to reinspect the well and/or facility.

INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION

IN BOUNDS COM No.001Y

Inspection Type Inspection Date

Inspector

Violation?

*Significant Non-Compliance?

K-9-22S-25E

30-015-31844-00-00 Corrective Action Due By:

Inspection No.

05/15/2008 Routine/Periodic

Richard Inge

Yes

No

5/30/2008

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Comments on Inspection:

There appears to have been several releases on pad. One from Water tank. Tank is currently empty but netting is down in tank and not covering opening. There have been releases from the wellhead that have flowed along north side of pad past separator.

Please submit a C-141 spill release and clean up report by Corrective Action due Date. Netting

must also be stretched back over the water tank.

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 Divison 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.

Sincerely,

Artesia OCD District Office

Note: Information in Detail Section comes directly from field inspector data entries - not all blanks will contain data.

*Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the EPA, Region VI, Dallas, Texas.