

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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**NOTICE 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.

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<b>EMPIRE</b>	ABO	UNIT	No	.008G
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Inspection Date

07/29/2005

Type Inspection Routine/Periodic Inspector

Violation?

\*Significant Non-Compliance?

A-16-18S-27E

30-015-00912-00-00 Corrective Action Due By:

Inspection No.

Violations

Chris Beadle

Yes

No

8/29/2005

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Surface Damage/Restoration

Surface Leaks/Spills

Comments on Inspection:

Location needs attention. Equipment OK. Area north of wellhead heavily contaminated from what appears to be a repaired flowline leak. Replaced section of steel flowline crosses contamination area at nearly upper apex of downhill flow path. Flow path extends approximately 30 feet through pasture to wellhead area then turns east continuing the general downhill movement towards a natural draw. Remediation required. Contact NMOCD District 2 Environmental Compliance

Officer to discuss remediation requirements.

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.