

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO. 1004-0135  
Expires: July 31, 2010

**SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS**  
*Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.*

**SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.**

1. Type of Well <input type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other		5. Lease Serial No. NMNM0555283
2. Name of Operator LINN OPERATING INC Contact: LAURA A MORENO E-Mail: lmoreno@linnenergy.com		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
3a. Address 600 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 5100 HOUSTON, TX 77002	3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 713-904-6657 Fx: 832-209-4316	7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No. NMNM88494
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M.; or Survey Description) Sec 12 T21S R26E Mer NMP NENE 660FNL 660FEL 32.499755 N Lat, 104.239555 W Lon		8. Well Name and No. FEDERAL 12 COM 1
		9. API Well No. 30-015-21288
		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory BURTON FLAT; STRAWN
		11. County or Parish, and State EDDY COUNTY, NM

**12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA**

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recomplete horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days 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 site is ready for final inspection.)

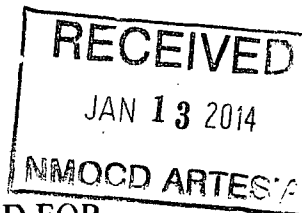
Linn Operating, Inc. respectfully request a change of operator from Merit Energy Company to Linn Operating Inc for the above referenced lease/well effective 11/1/09. *Operator Effective date*

The undersigned accepts all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions concerning operations conducted on the leased land or portion thereof, as described below.

BLM Bond: NMB000501

Effective Date: 6/1/11 *Bond effective date*

Location: Eddy County, New Mexico Sect 12, T21S, R26E



Accepted for record

SUBJECT TO LIKE  
APPROVAL BY STATE

SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

*NMOC D approval 2-16-2010*

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.	
Electronic Submission #230210 verified by the BLM Well Information System For LINN OPERATING INC, sent to the Carlsbad Committed to AFMSS for processing by JERRY BLAKLEY on 01/09/2014 ()	
Name (Printed/Typed) LAURA A MORENO	Title REG COMPLIANCE ADVISOR
Signature (Electronic Submission)	Date 12/19/2013

THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE			
Approved By <i>[Signature]</i>	Title	APPROVED	Date
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.	Office	JAN - 9 2014	
Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make any statement or representation to any Federal, State, or local agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.			

**\*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\***

**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**  
**Carlsbad Field Office**  
**620 East Greene Street**  
**Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220**  
**575-234-5972**

Effective 11/1/2009  
Bond NMB000501

**1/9/2014 Approved subject to Conditions of Approval. JDB**  
**Change of Operator**  
**Conditions of Approval**

1. Tank battery must be bermed/diked (must be able to contain 1 1/2 times the volume of the largest tank).
2. Submit for approval of water disposal method.
3. Submit updated facility diagrams as per Onshore Order #3
4. This agency shall be notified of any spill or discharge as required by NTL-3A.
5. All outstanding environmental issue must be addressed within 90 days. Contact Jim Amos for inspection and to resolve environmental issues. 575-234-5909
6. Install legible well sign on location with operator name, well name and number, lease number, unit number, 1/4 1/4, section, township, and range. NMOCD requires the API number on well signs.
7. Subject to like approval by NMOCD.
8. All Reporting to ONRR ( OGOR Reports) must be brought current within 30 days of this approval including any past history.
9. If this well is incapable of producing in paying quantities submit NOI to plug and abandon this well or obtain approval to do otherwise within 90 days.
10. Acquire operating rights on this lease within 30 days with BLM office in Santa Fe, NM.