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

\*Response Required - Deadline Enclosed\*

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## **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 ther 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 INSP	PECTION DETAIL SECT	ION	
MILLER FEDERAL 001	H-7-6S-23E	30-005-61850-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1633634569	
Inspection Date: 12/1/2016 9:36:07 AM		Correct	Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017	
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	
Routine/Periodic	Gilbert Cord	ero Yes	No	
Comments on Inspection:	Violation of rule 19.15.25. NETTING	.8. LAST REPORTED PRODU	CTION 2-1-1. OPEN TOP TANK HA	
CHINA DRAW FEDERAL (	001 M-31-6S-23E	30-005-62233-00-00	Inspection No. iGC1633646621	
Inspection Date: 12/1/2016 12:56:59 PM		Correc	Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017	
Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	
Routine/Periodic	Gilbert Cord	ero Yes	No	
Comments on Inspection:	Violation of rule 19.15.25.	.8. LAST REPORTED PRODU	ICTION 11-1-12.	

CHINA DRAW FEDERAL 002 E-31-6S-23E Inspection No. iGC1633645050 30-005-62234-00-00 **Inspection Date:** Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 12/1/2016 12:30:48 PM Type Inspection Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No **Comments on Inspection:** Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. **CHINA DRAW FEDERAL 004** M-30-6S-23E 30-005-62319-00-00 Inspection No. iGC1633644295 **Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 12:18:13 PM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 **Type Inspection** Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No Comments on Inspection: Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. **ROYALE FEE 001** E-19-6S-23E 30-005-62334-00-00 Inspection No. iGC1633641894 **Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 11:38:13 AM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 Type Inspection Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No **Comments on Inspection:** Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. **ROYALE FED 001** L-19-6S-23E 30-005-62335-00-00 Inspection No. iGC1633642293 **Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 11:44:52 AM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 Type Inspection Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Inspector Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No **Comments on Inspection:** Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. MIDDLE FORK FEDERAL 003 F-8-6S-23E 30-005-62398-00-00 Inspection No. iGC1633637659 **Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 10:27:37 AM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 Type Inspection Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No **Comments on Inspection:** Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. NO WELL SIGN RULE 19.15.16.8 MILLER FEDERAL 002 F-7-6S-23E 30-005-62400-00-00 Inspection No. iGC1633636232 **Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 10:03:51 AM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 **Type Inspection** Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Gilbert Cordero Routine/Periodic Yes No Comments on Inspection: Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. MIDDLE FORK FEDERAL 005 M-5-6S-23E 30-005-62416-00-00 Inspection No. iGC1633638111 Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 12/1/2016 10:35:09 AM **Inspection Date:** \*Significant Non-Compliance? Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No **Comments on Inspection:** Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12. MILLER FEDERAL 005 M-6-6S-23E 30-005-62417-00-00 **Inspection No. iGC1633636442 Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 10:07:21 AM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 **Type Inspection** Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero Yes No Comments on Inspection: Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 4-1-12. OPEN TOP TANK HAS NO NETTING **SNAKEWEED FEDERAL 001** M-18-6S-23E 30-005-62426-00-00 **Inspection No. iGC1633639779 Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 11:02:57 AM Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017 Type Inspection Inspector Violation? \*Significant Non-Compliance? Routine/Periodic Gilbert Cordero No Yes Comments on Inspection: Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12.

M & M FEDERAL 005 A-19-6S-23E 30-005-62606-00-00

Inspection No. iGC1633639219

**Inspection Date:** 12/1/2016 10:53:37 AM

Corrective Action Due by: 3/6/2017

Type Inspection

Inspector

\*Significant Non-Compliance?

Routine/Periodic

Gilbert Cordero

Violation?

No

**Comments on Inspection:** 

Yes

Violation of rule 19.15.25.8. LAST REPORTED PRODUCTION 5-1-12.

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
Compliance Officer

Artesia OCD District Office

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