

New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Response Required – Deadline Enclosed

*Field Inspection Program
"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"*

Dear Operator: 06-Apr-10

OXY USA INC
PO BOX 4294
HOUSTON TX 77210

LOV NO. 02-09-145

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

FEDERAL 26 No.005

B-26-22S-31E

30-015-26854-00-00

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No
04/06/2010	Routine/Periodic	Ron Harvey	Yes	No	4/21/2010	iREH10096362
Comments on Inspection: Fresh hydrocarbon release on location. Violation of NMAC 19.15.2.8. Operator must submit C-141 to OCD District II office no later than 4-21-2010. Remediation plan may be required. Photos taken.						

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.

Sincerely,

Ron Harvey
Artesia OCD District Office





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