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\*Response Required - Deadline Enclosed\*

Field Inspection Program
"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

101NO 02-09-178

27-Dec-10

LINN OPERATING, INC. 600 TRAVIS SUITE 5100 HOUSTON TX 77002

**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	N DETAIL	L SECTION			
TURNER E	No.025  Type Inspection	n	Inspector	Violation?	C-29-17S-31E *Significant Non-Compliance?	30-015-05434-00-0 Corrective Action Due By:	)0 Inspection No.	
12/27/2010	Routine/Peri	odic	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	3/27/2011	iKMW1036157411	
Comments	on Inspection:	,	l use, TA or submit P			25.8. Operator must rooffice no later than Ma		
TURNER B Inspection Date	No.047  Type Inspectio	n	Inspector	Violation?	B-29-17S-31E *Significant Non-Compliance?	30-015-05435-00-0 Corrective Action Due By:	00 Inspection No.	
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio	odie	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	1/10/2011	KMW1036157598	
Comments	on Inspection:				NMAC 19.15.16.8. O	perator must submit C uary 10, 2011.	-103	
TURNER B No.023					D-29-17S-31E	30-015-05438-00-0	0	
Inspection Date	Type Inspectio	n	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.	
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio	odic	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	3/27/2011 i	KMW1036155245	
Comments on Inspection:		Idle Well, 216 months with no production. Violation of NMAC 19.15.25.8. Operator must return well to benefical use, TA or submit P/A procedures to OCD District II office no later than March 27, 2011.						

**TURNER B No.059** A-29-17S-31E 30-015-05446-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: iKMW1036157690 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Kimberly Wilson Yes 1/10/2011 Comments on Inspection: Need current operator on well sign, violation of NMAC 19.15.16.8. Operator must submit C-103 stating when current operator was added to well sign, no later than January 10, 2011. **TURNER B No.071** M-29-17S-31E 30-015-05454-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Action Due By: Non-Compliance? 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Kimberly Wilson 3/27/2011 iKMW1036156340 Yes No Comments on Inspection: Idle Well, 74 months with no production, violation of NMAC 19.15.25.8. Operator must return well to benefical use, TA or submit P?A procedures to OCD District II office no later than Mach 27, 2011, for approval. **TURNER B No.082** J-29-17S-31E 30-015-26385-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Kimberly Wilson 1/10/2011 iKMW1036157075 Yes No Comments on Inspection: Need current operator on well sign, violation of NMAC 19.15.16.8. Operator must submit C-103 stating when current operator was added to well sign, no later than January 10, 2011. **TURNER B No.085** B-29-17S-31E 30-015-26386-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Kimberly Wilson Yes No 1/10/2011 iKMW1036157140 Comments on Inspection: Oil pooled at wellhead due to stuffing box leak, violation of NMAC 19.15.2.8 & NMAC 19.15.29. Operator must submit a C-141 to OCD District II office no later than January 10, 2011. Remediation plan may be required. Photos taken. **TURNER B No.087** K-29-17S-31E 30-015-26387-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Inspection No. Violation? Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: Routine/Periodic 12/27/2010 Kimberly Wilson Yes No 1/10/2011 iKMW1036156538 Comments on Inspection: Release of chlorides from the stuffing box leak, violation of NMAC 19.15.2.8 & 19.15.29. Operator must submit C-141 to OCD District II office no later than January 10, 2011. Remediatioin plan may required. Photos taken. TURNER B No.080 L-29-17S-31E 30-015-26388-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Kimberly Wilson iKMW1036155911 Yes No 1/10/2011 Fresh contamination around wellhead and small pool of oil to right of wellhead, violation of Comments on Inspection: NMAC 19.15.2.8 & 19.15.29. Operator must submit a C-141 to OCD Distict II office no later than January 10, 2011. Remediation plan may be required. Photos taken. **TURNER B No.081** J-29-17S-31E 30-015-26389-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: Kimberly Wilson 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Yes No 1/10/2011 iKMW1036156715 Comments on Inspection: Need current operator on well sign, violation of NMAC 19.15.16.8. Operator must submit C-103 stating when current operator was added to well sign, no later than January 10, 2011. F-29-17S-31E TURNER B No.083 30-015-26390-00-00 Inspection \*Significant Corrective Type Inspection Inspector Violation? Inspection No. Date Non-Compliance? Action Due By: 12/27/2010 Routine/Periodic Kimberly Wilson Yes iKMW1036155633 1/10/2011 Comments on Inspection: Fresh contamination around wellhead and across location, violation of NMAC 19.15.2.8 & NMAC 19.15.29. Operator must submit C-141 to OCD District II office no later than January 10, 2011. Remediation plan may be required. Photos taken.

TURNER B Inspection Date	No.084  Type Inspection	1	Inspector	Violation?	B-29-17S-31E *Significant Non-Compliance?	30-015-26391-00- Corrective Action Due By:	-00 Inspection No.		
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio		Kimberly Wilson		No.	1/10/2011	iKMW1036157303		
Comments on Inspection:		Need current operator on well sign, violation of NMAC 19.15.16.8. Operator must submit C-103 stating when current operator was added to well sign, no later than January 10, 2011.							
TURNER B	No.088		Total and an	V(-1-410	J-29-17S-31E *Significant	30-015-26571-00- Corrective			
Date	Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	Non-Compliance?	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Inspection No.		
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio		Kimberly Wilson		No	1/10/2011	iKMW1036156786		
Commens	on Inspection:	NMAC 19.15.2. later than Januar Need operator ch	8 & NMAC 19.15.2 y 10, 2011. Remedi	<ol> <li>Operator ation may be Violation of</li> </ol>	vellhead from stuffing must submit C-141 to required. Photos take NMAC 19.15.16.8, punuary 10, 2011.	o OCD District II offi ken.	ce no		
TURNER B Inspection Date	No.091  Type Inspection	1	Inspector	Violation?	A-29-17S-31E *Significant Non-Compliance?	30-015-26603-00- Corrective Action Due By:	.00 Inspection No.		
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio	dic	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	1/10/2011	iKMW1036157648		
Comments of	on Inspection:				NMAC 19.15.16.8. O		C-103		
TURNER B Inspection Date	No.099  Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	L-29-17S-31E *Significant Non-Compliance?	30-015-26621-00- Corrective Action Due By:	00 Inspection No.		
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio	dic	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	1/10/2011	iKMW1036156093		
Comments of	n Inspection:	' <del>-</del> '			NMAC 19.15.16.8. O sign, no later than Janu	•	C-103		
TURNER B	No.137				B-29-17S-31E	30-015-29954-00-	00		
Inspection Date	Type Inspection		Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.		
12/27/2010	Routine/Perio	dic	Kimberly Wilson	Yes	No	1/10/2011	iKMW1036157754		
Comments o	n Inspection:	•	-		NMAC 19.15.16.8. Oping, no later than Janu		C-103		

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.

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