



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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MOUNTAIN STATES PETROEUM  
ATT: PAUL SLAYTON  
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RE: 30-005-00246 P-16-10s-27e DIABLO STATE #1

DEAR PAUL SLAYTON,

A FIELD INSPECTION AT THE DIABLO STATE #1 MADE ON 4/8/2002  
FOUND THE NETTED SURFACE PIT TO HAVE DEAD BIRDS IN IT.

THE STATE GAME AND FISH DEPT HAVE MADE FIELD INSPECTIONS  
IN THE PAST AND HAVE IMPOSED FINES FOR BIRDS FOUND IN OIL  
FIELD PITS.

PLEASE BRING THE SURFACE PIT AT THE DIABLO STATE #1 INTO  
COMPLIANCE WITH R-313 TO PROTECT MIGRATORY BIRDS.

THE PIT IS ALSO IN VIOLATION OF R-310 OIL SHALL NOT BE STORED OR  
RETAINED IN EARTHEN RESERVOIRS.  
PLEASE REMOVE THE OIL FROM THIS EARTHEN SURFACE PIT.

PLEASE COMPLY WITH THE REQUESTS MADE IN THIS LETTER NO  
LATER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS FROM THE DATE LISTED ON THIS LETTER.  
NOTIFY O.C.D. WHEN CORRECTIVE ACTIONS ARE COMPLETED SO A  
NEW INSPECTION CAN BE MADE OF THE FACILITY.

IF I CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE PLEASE DO NOT HESTATE TO CALL ME AT  
505-748-1283 OR E-MAIL ME AT [MSTUBBLEFIELD@STATE.NM.US](mailto:MSTUBBLEFIELD@STATE.NM.US).

SINCERELY,

*Mike Stubblefield*

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