

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Response Required - Deadline Enclosed

Undergreund Injection Control Program Protecting Our Underground Sources of Drinking Water!

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CHEVRON US A INC 15 SMITH ROAD MIDLAND TX 79705-

LETTER OF VIOLATION and SHUT-IN DIRECTIVE Failed Mechanical Integrity Test

Dear Operator:

The following test(s) were performed on the listed dates on the following well(s) shown below in the test detail section.

The test(s) indicates that the well or wells failed to meet mechanical integrity standards of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. To comply with guidelines established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the well(s) must be shut-in immediately until it is successfully repaired. The test detail section which follows indicates preliminary findings and/or probable causes of the failure. This determination is based on a test of your well or facility by an inspector employed by the Oil Conservation Division. Additional testing during the repair operation may be necessary to properly identify the nature of the well failure.

Please notify the proper district office of the Division at least 48 hours prior to the date and time that the well(s) will be retested so the test may be witnessed by a field representative.

MECHANICAL INTEGRITY TEST DETAIL SECTION

CENTRAL VACUUM UNIT No.073

30-025-25728-00-00

Active Injection - (All Types)

H-36-17S-34E

Test Date: Test Reason:

8/16/2011 Annual IMIT Permitted Injection PSI: Test Result:

Actual PSI: 11/19/2011

Test Type:

Std. Annulus Pres Test

Repair Due: FAIL CAUSE:

Comments on MIT:

FAIL TYPE: Other Internal Failure

SPECIAL ANNUAL TEST, TEST FAILED DID NOT REACH 2500# TEST PRESSURE, BEFORE

BLANKING PLUG RELEASED OR PUMPED THRU PROFILE NIPPLE

In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter of direction by the "Repair Duer" date shown above, or if the well(s) are not immediately shut-in, 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,

Mojey Brown

COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Hobbs OCD District Office

Note—Pressure Tests are performed prior to initial injection, after repairs and otherwise, every 5 years. Bradenhead Tests are performed annually Information in Detail Section comes directly from field inspector data entries; not all blanks will contain data—"Failure Type" and "Failure Cause" and any Comments are not to be interpreted as a diagnosis of the condition of the wellbore—Additional testing should be conducted by the operator to accurately determine the nature of the actual failure—"Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the EPA. Region VI. Dallas, Texas

EMNRD OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1625 N FRENCH DRIVE **HOBBS NM 88240**



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