

# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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#### TORCH ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

1331 LAMAR SUITE 1350 HOUSTON TX 77010

**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

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SAN JUAN MESA 16 STATE No.001					A-16-4S-30E	30-041-20942-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	1	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
11/21/2011	Plugged Well	Surface Restor	Maxey Brown	Yes	No	2/24/2012	1MGB1132622316
Comments	on Inspection:	WELLHEAD, S	IGN AND MISC JU OF NON-COMPL	UNK FROM	O TO REMOVE LJT SOUTHEAST CORN ARKER IS OK. LOC	IER OF LOCATION.	

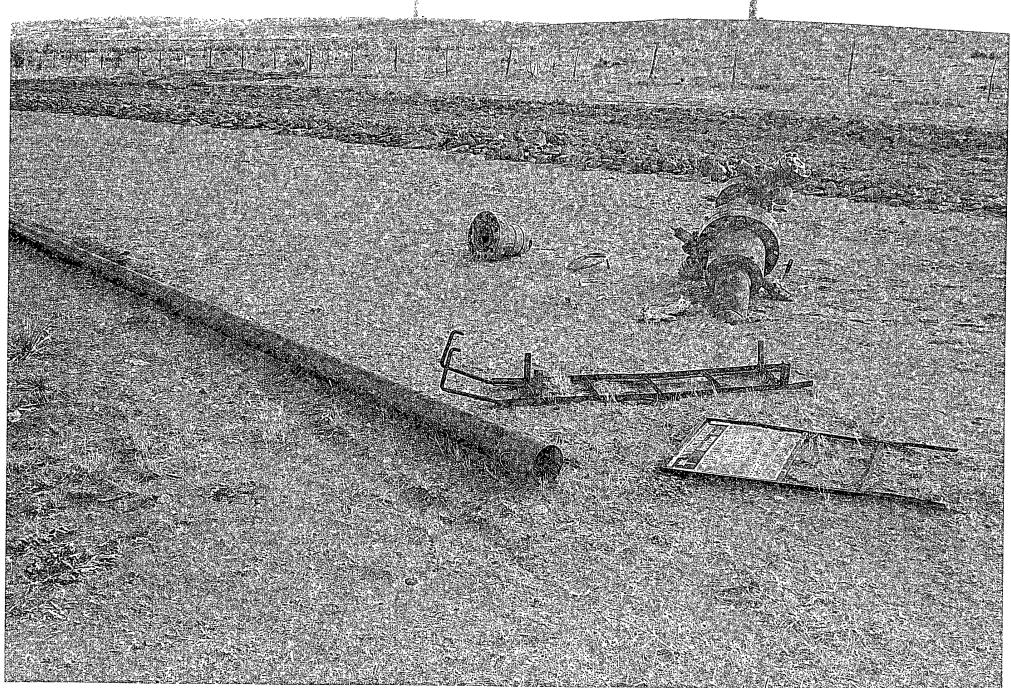
In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter of direction by the "Corrective Action Due By," date shown above, further enforcement will occur. Such enforcement may include this office applying to the Division for an order summoning you to a hearing before a Divison Examiner 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,

COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Hobbs 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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