



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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**\*Response Required – Deadline Enclosed\***

*Field Inspection Program*

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**LETTER OF VIOLATION - Inspection**

**CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO**  
600 N. MARIENFELD ST SUITE 600  
MIDLAND TX 79701

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**

<b>COOPER 4 No.003</b>		<b>E-4-20S-37E</b>		<b>30-025-35934-00-00</b>		
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
08/24/2012	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	10/31/2012	iMAW1223738087
<b>Violations</b>						
Surface Damage/Restoration						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> Rule 19.15.25.10 requires that restoration of plugged wells should be completed within 1 year of plugging date. Well plugged 01/07/2011. The following items should be noted: 1) remove battery site on SW corner including piping braces. 2) remove 2 power poles and lines on west side, 3) remove railing, pipe, stuffing box, and well sign at marker, 4) Dry hole marker not minimum height above ground (4') and wrong footages and no API # on marker, 5) Contour location and around wellhead where the pumping unit set, and 6) Need to submit C103 for subsequent reporting of well plugging 1st notice of non-compliance.						

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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.

Sincerely,



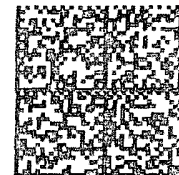
COMPLIANCE OFFICER

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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