

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OCD Hobbs

FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO. 1004-0135  
Expires: July 31, 2010

**SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS**  
*Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.*

5. Lease Serial No.  
NMNM116166

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.

8. Well Name and No.  
EK 29 BS2 FEDERAL COM 4H

9. API Well No.  
30-025-42700

10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory  
EK- BONE SPRINGS

11. County or Parish, and State  
LEA COUNTY, NM

**SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.** HOBBS OCD

1. Type of Well  
 Oil Well  Gas Well  Other

2. Name of Operator  
MCELVAIN ENERGY INC  
Contact: TONY G COOPER  
E-Mail: TONY.COOPER@MCELVAIN.COM

3a. Address  
1050 17TH STREET SUITE 2500  
DENVER, CO 80265

3b. Phone No. (include area code)  
Ph: 303-893-0933 Ext: 331  
Fx: 303-893-0914

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)  
Sec 30 T18S R34E Mer 6PM 175FSL 100FEL

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12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recomplate horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recomplate in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

?McElvain Energy, Inc. (MEI) requests the approval to use a ?spudder? rig to set and cement surface casing at 1,749 ft on the EK 29 BS2 Federal Com #4H.

The plan is to MIRU a spudder rig and drill the conductor hole, run conductor pipe and cement in place. The spudder rig would then drill the 17 ?? surface hole to 1,749 ft and run 13-3/8? 54.5 lb/ft J-55 STC casing to TD. The spudder rig would still be on location and over the wellbore as a 3rd party vendor (possibly Halliburton Energy Services or some similar company) cemented the surface casing in place. The spudder rig would wait the appropriate amount of time to ensure the surface casing cement job meets all COA?s per the APD. At that point, MEI would weld a plate over the surface casing with a pressure gauge to ensure no debris enters the surface casing and/or BLM personnel can inspect the surface casing at any time to ensure no pressure is present within the surface casing. A drilling rig would then be MIRU approximately a month or less after the surface

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.  
Electronic Submission #313648 verified by the BLM Well Information System  
For MCELVAIN ENERGY INC, sent to the Hobbs

Name (Printed/Typed) TONY G COOPER Title SR EHS SPECIALIST

Signature (Electronic Submission) Date 08/24/2015

THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE

APPROVED

PETROLEUM ENGINEER

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Kenneth Rennick

Office

Approved By \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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Handwritten signatures and initials.

**Additional data for EC transaction #313648 that would not fit on the form**

**32. Additional remarks, continued**

casing has been ran and cemented to drill the remaining intervals per the APD. ~~Of course, MET reserves the right to delay the drilling rig if commodity price is unsuitable for continued drilling and/or some other unforeseen event.~~

See COA

# CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	MCELVAIN ENERGY, INC.
LEASE NO.:	NM245247
WELL NAME & NO.:	EK 29 BS2 Federal Com 4H
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	175' FSL & 0100' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	510' FNL & 0660' FWL
LOCATION:	Section 29, T.18S., R34E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Lea County, New Mexico

## DRILLING

### A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well (minimum of 24 hours)
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings (minimum of 4 hours)
- c. BOPE tests (minimum of 4 hours)

**Lea County**

Call the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240,  
(575) 393-3612

1. **A Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Drilling Plan shall be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the Queen formation. As a result, the Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.**
2. Option – Setting surface casing with Spudder Rig
  - a. Notify the BLM when removing the Spudder Rig.
  - b. Notify the BLM when moving in the Drilling Rig. Rig to be moved in within 60 days of notification that Spudder Rig has left the location. Failure to notify or have rig on location within 60 days will result in an Incident of Non-Compliance.
  - c. Once the Drilling Rig is on location, it shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged. **If the drilling rig is removed without approval – an Incident of Non-Compliance will be written and will be a “Major” violation.**

- d. BOP/BOPE test to be conducted per Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 as soon as Drilling Rig is rigged up on well. CIT for the surface casing shall be performed and results recorded on subsequent sundry – pressure to be 1200 psi.
3. Floor controls are required for 3M or Greater systems. These controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works is located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
4. **The record of the drilling rate along with the GR/N well log run from TD to surface (horizontal well – vertical portion of hole) shall be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

## **B. CASING**

**Changes to the approved APD casing program need prior approval if the items substituted are of lesser grade or different casing size or are Non-API. The Operator can exchange the components of the proposal with that of superior strength (i.e. changing from J-55 to N-80, or from 36# to 40#). Changes to the approved cement program need prior approval if the altered cement plan has less volume or strength or if the changes are substantial (i.e. Multistage tool, ECP, etc.).**

**The initial wellhead installed on the well will remain on the well with spools used as needed.**

**Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.**

### **Wait on cement (WOC) for Water Basin:**

**After cementing but before commencing any tests, the casing string shall stand cemented under pressure until both of the following conditions have been met: 1) cement reaches a minimum compressive strength of 500 psi at the shoe, 2) until cement has been in place at least 8 hours. WOC time will be recorded in the driller's log. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.**

**Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. Have well specific cement details onsite prior to pumping the cement for each casing string..**

**No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.**

**Possible water flows in the Salado, Artesia Group.**

**Possible lost circulation in the Rustler, San Andres, Grayburg, Red Beds, Delaware, and Artesia Group.**

1. The 13-3/8 inch 54.5# J-55 ST-C surface casing shall be set at approximately **1749 feet (in a competent bed, which is a Member of the Rustler, and if salt is encountered, set casing at least 25 feet above the salt)** and cemented to the surface.
  - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Temperature survey will be run a minimum of six hours after pumping cement and ideally between 8-10 hours after completing the cement job.
  - b. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.**
  - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
  - d. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.
2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 9-5/8 inch intermediate casing shall be set at approximately **4900 feet** and is:
  - Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above. **Cement volumes shall be adjusted accordingly to reach surface as stated by operator.**

**Formation below the 9-5/8" shoe to be tested according to Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.i. Test to be done as a mud equivalency test using the mud weight necessary for the pore pressure of the formation below the shoe (not the mud weight required to prevent dissolving the salt formation) and the mud weight for the bottom of the hole. Report results to BLM office.**

**Centralizers required on horizontal leg, must be type for horizontal service and a minimum of one every other joint.**

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **5-1/2** inch production casing is:

**Option 1 (Primary Program):**

- Cement should tie-back **at least 500 feet** into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification. **Cement volumes shall be adjusted accordingly as stated by operator.**

**Option 2 (Well Conditions Warranted):**

a. First stage to DV tool:

- Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office before proceeding with second stage cement job. Operator should have plans as to how they will achieve approved top of cement.

**Operator has proposed DV tool at depth of 7500 feet, but will adjust cement proportionately if moved. DV tool shall be set a minimum of 50 feet below previous shoe and a minimum of 200 feet above current shoe. Operator shall submit sundry if DV tool depth cannot be set in this range.**

b. Second stage above DV tool:

- Cement should tie-back **at least 500 feet** into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification. **Cement volumes shall be adjusted accordingly as stated by operator.**

4. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

**C. PRESSURE CONTROL**

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **2000 (2M) psi. Operator installing a 3M but testing as a 2M**
3. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the **9-5/8** intermediate casing shoe shall be **5000 (5M) psi. 5M system requires an HCR valve, remote kill line and annular to match. The remote kill line is to be installed prior to testing the system and tested to stack pressure.**

4. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
  - a. In a water basin, for all casing strings utilizing slips, these are to be set as soon as the crew and rig are ready and any fallback cement remediation has been done. The casing cut-off and BOP installation can be initiated four hours after installing the slips, which will be approximately six hours after bumping the plug. For those casing strings not using slips, the minimum wait time before cut-off is eight hours after bumping the plug. BOP/BOPE testing can begin after cut-off or once cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified), whichever is greater. However, if the float does not hold, cut-off cannot be initiated until cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified).
  - b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug **not a cup or J-packer**.
  - c. The test shall be run on a 5000 psi chart for a 2-3M BOP/BOP, on a 10000 psi chart for a 5M BOP/BOPE and on a 15000 psi chart for a 10M BOP/BOPE. If a linear chart is used, it shall be a one hour chart. A circular chart shall have a maximum 2 hour clock with a corresponding chart (i.e. two hour clock-two hour chart, one hour clock-one hour chart).
  - d. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
  - e. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. **A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.**
  - f. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug. This test shall be performed prior to the test at full stack pressure.

**D. DRILL STEM TEST**

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

**E. WASTE MATERIAL AND FLUIDS**

All waste (i.e. drilling fluids, trash, salts, chemicals, sewage, gray water, etc.) created as a result of drilling operations and completion operations shall be safely contained and disposed of properly at a waste disposal facility. No waste material or fluid shall be disposed of on the well location or surrounding area.

Porto-johns and trash containers will be on-location during fracturing operations or any other crew-intensive operations.

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