Form 3160-5 (August 1999)

## **UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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## SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

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Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use Form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals				6. If Indian, A	6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name	
SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other Instructions on reverse side				7. If Unit or C	7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.  North El Mar Unit  \[ \lambda \la	
l Type of Well  ☑ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other				8. Well Name	11/1	
2 Name of Operator					North El Mar Unit #9 9. API Well No.	
Sahara Operating Company				9. API Well N		
3a Address 3b Phone No (include			de area code)	30 0	30 025 08298	
P.O. Box 4130, Midland, TX 79704 432/697-0967				10. Field and P	10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area	
4 Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T, R, M., or Survey Description)					r (Delaware)	
990' FNL & 660' FEL, Sec 26, T26S, R32E, NMPM Unit Letter "A"				11. County or		
				Lea Co	unty, N.M.	
12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE,				CE. REPORT. OR	OTHER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION TYPE OF ACTION						
	Acidize	Deepen	∏ Pr	oduction (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off	
☐ Notice of Intent	Alter Casing	Fracture Treatme	_	eclamation	☐ Well Integrity	
57	Casing Repair	☐ New Construction		ecomplete	Other	
Subsequent Report				•		
Final Abandonment Notice	Change Plans	Plug and Abando	_	emporarily Abandon		
13 Describe Proposed or Completed C	Convert to Injection	Plug Back		ater Disposal		
involved operations. If the operation Abandonment Notices shall be filed  Status update on TA w  Well continues to be T  See update	only after all requirements, including the state of the s	ng reclamation, have been o	al chart was s	rator has determined that the	ne site is ready for final inspection.)	
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Wellbore is as follows:	Casing: 4-1/2" @ 4700'					
	Perfs:	4617	7'-4623'			
	CIBP:	<u>@</u> 46	500'			
14. I hereby certify that the foregon Name (Printed/Typed)	oing is true and correct					
Robert McAlpine			tle Pres	ident		
Signature Signature	WW/	/ D		2-2007	DROVED.	
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Approved by	ched Approval of the action des	not warrent or cont.	Title		JUN 2 7 2007	
Conditions of approval, if any, are atta the applicant holds legal or equitable to applicant to conduct operations thereon				10/5	Way wan	
Title 18 U.S.C Section 1001 and Title false, fictitious or fraudulent statements	43 U S C Section 1212, make it or representations as to any matter	a crime for any person knowithin its jurisdiction	owingly and willfully t		angercy Mute Vinda Vite E.R.,	

## North El Mar Unit Temporarily Abandoned Wells Status Update June 25, 2007

It is requested that Temporarily Abandoned status be continued for the temporarily abandoned wells in the North El Mar Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Please refer to the Justification For Request For Temporarily Abandoned Status for these wells dated July, 2006.

The North El Mar Unit project keys off the nearby Cotton Draw Unit, Paduca Delaware Sand Unit CO2 project, which has received regulatory approval, but has yet to be implemented due to a lack of CO2 supply. We have remained in touch with POGO Producing Company regarding their progress at obtaining a CO2 supply. Their negotiations continue and they hope to obtain a supply soon, but since all current supply is presently called for, they may be forced to wait for expansion of supply from Kinder-Morgan's McElmo Dome project. This could hopefully occur in 2008.

In the meantime, Sahara continues to try and repair these TA wells when they suffer from casing problems. We have recently completed repairs on wells NEMU #18 and NEMU #28. Both of these wells were successfully repaired.

It is considerably more costly to Sahara to repair rather than plug these wells; however, we consider preservation of these wellbores for future use to be critical to the viability of a CO2 project in this field. Once a well has been plugged and abandoned, successful reentry is by no means assured. While they are currently a financial and regulatory burden, we are convinced of the future need for these wells and believe that, were they to be P&A'd, the prospects for implementing a future CO2 project would be severely impaired.

Sahara will file another status update on or before September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007