

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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## \*Response Required - Deadline Enclosed\*

Field Inspection Program "Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

16-Jul-08

UNIT PETROLEUM COMPANY 407 N BIG SPRING ST., SUITE 300 MIDLAND, TX 79701

**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.

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**MONUMENT 17 No.001** 

A-17-20S-36E

30-025-38108-00-00

Inspection Date

Type Inspection

Inspector

\*Significant

Corrective

Violation? Yes

Non-Compliance?

Action Due By:

Inspection No.

07/15/2008

Routine/Periodic

Mark Whitaker

No

8/16/2008

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Violations

Emergency/Temporary Pits

Comments on Inspection:

Dry hole marker not complete. Cellar full of water. Mouse and rat holes exposed. Trash and debris on location. Drilling pits are open and contain fluid. NEED TO REMOVE FLUIDS FROM PITS AND CELLAR. PITS HAVE BEEN OPEN FOR MORE THAN 1 YEAR. CLOSURE ON PITS SHOULD COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY !!! REMOVE TRASH AND DEBRIS FROM LOCATION. INSTALL NEW DRY HOLE MARKER WITH REQUIRED INFORMATION. 1st letter of non-compliance. MW

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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 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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