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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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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.

FORM APPROVED
OM B No. 1004-0137
Expires: March 31, 2007

5. Lease Serial No.

LC-064605A

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

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

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.

1. Type of Well
☒ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other

8. Well Name and No.

FEDERAL "A" #2

9. API Well No.

30-025-07239

10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area

BRONCO; SILURO (DEVONIAN)

11. County or Parish, State

LEA, NEW MEXICO

2. Name of Operator
APACHE CORPORATION

3a. Address
6120 S YALE AVE, SUITE 1500 TULSA, OK 74136

3b. Phone No. (include area code)
(918) 491-4968

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)

UNIT B, SEC 14-T13S-R38E
660' FNL & 1274' FEL

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"/> Rcomplete <input type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans <input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon <input checked="" 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 recomplete 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 recompletion 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.)

Apache Corp requests permission to TA this well with the following procedure:

1. POH w/all production equipment
2. Set CIBP @ +/- 11,375'. Load the casing and pressure test to 500 psig for 30 minutes.
This will be recorded on a chart.
3. Upon completion of procedure, Apache will send a subsequent report with an original pressure chart.

Current perms: 11,420'-11,780'.

The pump and tubing are plugging up with formation fines; third time this has happened in two months. Not sure if the fines are coming from the producing formation or from a casing part. Would like to TA for a couple of years, anticipating better prices, then a clean out and acid job should alleviate the problem.

Approval is subject to a successful casing test, if casing is not in satisfactory condition, remedial action is required. Test within 30 days

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct Name (Printed/Typed) AMBER COOKE		Title PRODUCTION ENGINEERING TECH
Signature <i>Amber Cooke</i>		Date 12/30/2008
THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE		
Approved by <i>[Signature]</i>		Title Office
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 any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.		

(Instructions on page 2)

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Date
JAN 4 2009

JAMES A. AMOS

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
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Temporary Abandonment of Wells on Federal Lands
Conditions of Approval

A temporarily abandoned well is defined as a completion that is not capable of production in paying quantities but which may have value as a service well. Pursuant to 43 CFR 3162.3-4 (c), no well may be temporarily abandoned for more than 30 days without the prior approval of the authorized officer.

Temporary Abandonment (TA) status approval requires a successful mechanical or casing integrity test as follows:

1. A Notice of Intent (NOI) Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) requesting approval to run a mechanical integrity test (MIT) or casing integrity test (CIT).
2. A description of the temporary abandonment procedure.
 - a. A bridge plug or packer must be installed as close to 50 feet above any open perforations or open hole as possible. If a cement plug is used, the top of the cement must be verified by tagging.
 - b. The wellbore must be filled with corrosion inhibited fluid and pressure tested to 500 psi. The casing shall be capable of holding this pressure for at least 30 minutes with a 10% allowable leakoff.
 - c. All downhole production/injection equipment (tubing, rods, etc.) shall be removed from the casing if they are not isolated by a packer.
 - d. A bradenhead test must be conducted. If the test indicates a problem exists, a remedial plan and time frame for remediation shall be submitted within ninety (90) days of the test.
 - e. Contact the appropriate BLM office at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled Casing Integrity Test. For wells in Eddy County, 575-361-2822; Lea County 575-393-3612.
3. Provides justification why the well should be temporarily abandoned rather than permanently plugged and abandoned and an estimated date that the well will be returned to beneficial use or plugged and abandoned.

Wells that successfully pass the casing integrity test may be approved for Temporary Abandonment (TA) status provided that the operator:

1. Submits a subsequent Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) requesting TA approval.
2. Describes the temporary abandonment procedure.
3. Attaches a clear copy or the original of the pressure test chart.

The TA status could be extended for an additional period without another casing integrity test provided there was no leak-off during the test and the test was witnessed by a BLM representative. The operator must submit a sundry notice requesting an extension of TA status 30 days prior to expiration of the previous approval and appropriate justification for extending the TA status is included.

If the well does not pass the casing integrity test, then the operator shall within 30 days submit to BLM for approval one of the following:

1. A procedure to repair the casing so that a TA approval can be granted.
2. A procedure to plug and abandon the well.