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CONOCO PHILLIPS ATTN:KENNY KIDD/ RUDY QUIROZ HC 60 BOX 66 LOVINGTON, NM 88260

**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.

## INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION

EAST VACUUM (GSA) UNIT No.005 Inspection				H-32-17S-35E	30-025-02965-00-00			
Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.		
02/11/2009	Bradenhead	Sylvia Dickey	Yes	No	6/1/2009	iSAD0905738382		
Comments on Inspection:		OPERATOR NEEDS TO VERIFY THE SURFACE AND INTERMEDIATE STRINGS OF CASING. BRADENHEAD TEST SHOWS 320# OF PRESSURE AND SALT WATER SHOW ON THE SURFACE OR INTERMEDIATE STRING OF CASING. IN ADDITION, THE UNION BETWEEN THE TUBING AND CASING ON THE OFFSIDE OF WELLHEAD EQUIPMENT NEEDS TO BE FIXED AND SECURED. ****OPERATOR IN VIOLATION OF NMOCD RULE 115.****NMOCD WILL NOT ADDRESS SURFACE VIOLATION, UNTIL STRING IS VERIFIED BY OPERATOR.*****						

EAST VAC	UUM (GSA) U	NIT No.003		N-27-17S-35E	30-025-32058-00-	00		
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.		
02/10/2009	Bradenhead	Sylvia Dickey	Yes	No	5/16/2009	iSAD0905740204		
Comments	on Inspection:	TOP FLANGE ON WELLHEAD IS LEAKING PER OPERATOR HAS TURNED IN FOR REPAIRS. ****OPERATOR IN VIOLATION OF NMOCD RULE 115****						

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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.

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COMPLIANCE OFFICER

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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