Form 3160-5 (August 1999)					OBBS (FORM APPROVED DMB No 1004-0135 ures November 30,20	i
SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS					LC-065880 6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name		
Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use Form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals					o II Indian, i	Anotee of 1 noe 1	vame
SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other Instructions on reverse side					7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.		
1 Type of Well					North El Mar Unit		
OII Well Gas Well Other Service (Injection)					8. Well Name and No		
2 Name of Operator					North El Mar Unit #4		
Sahara Operating Company 3a. Address 3b Phone No (include area code)					9 API Well 1		1
P O. Box 4130, Midland, TX 79704 432/697-0967					30 025 08436 10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area		
4 Location of Well (Footage, Sec, T., R, M, or Survey Description)					El Mar (Delaware)		
990' FNL & 330' FWL, Sec 30, T26S, R33E, NMPM					11. County or Parish, State		
Unit Letter "D"					Lea County, N.M.		
12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA							
TYPE OF SUBMISSION TYPE OF ACTION							
Notice of Intent		Deepen			n (Start/Resume)	Water Shu	t-Off
	Alter Casing	Fracture Tre		Reclamati		Well Integ	nty
Subsequent Report	Casing Repair	New Constr		Recomple		Other	·
Final Abandonment Notice	Change Plans	Plug and At	bandon	-	ly Abandon		
13 Describe Proposed or Completed	Convert to Injection	Plug Back		Water Dis			
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 file within 30 days following completion of the involved operations if the operation results in a mutiple 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 () Propose to plug and abandon: Spot 25 sx on CIBP @ 4630' Circ hole with mud Perf 960'., Squeeze 35 sx, Tag 860' Perf 415 – squeeze 35 sx, tag 315'							
Perf 60', fill in/out						ILIN 20	2000
Cut off, install dry hole marker					JUN 2 9 2009		
out on, mount dry note market						HOBBS	OCD
Wellbore as follows:5-1/2", 15.50# casing @ 4702', cmt 300 sx, TOC est 2500'.							
8-5/8' @ 362', cmt circ							
Perfs: 4682-4692'							
CIBP @ 4630' Top of salt 910'							
14 I hereby certify that the foreg Name (Printed/Typed)			[
Robert McAlpine			Tıtle	President			
Signature			Date	5/28/2009			
THE SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE							
/	nn						
Approved by Conditions of approved by	et 4. Comos		Title	SEAS		Date 6-2	4-09
Conditions of approval if any, are atta the applicant holds legal or equitable to applicant to conduct operations thereon	the to those rights in the subject lea	s not warrant or certify ase which would entitle 7-01-09	that the Office	CFD			
Title 18 U S 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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D. El Mar Unit of SHET SECTIONS TOP 910 HOLE SIZE 1214" KIALID Peit 60 Circ infout PASE 4666 RIIIP -MAVE/KARST____ Circ. + (SPEC WATER CASING SIZE 85/0 24# TD 362 Pert 415 50 From 415-315 WOR Tag TD_ HOLESIZE 77/8" FORMATIONS Del. 4666 Pert 960, SQ FIDM 960-860 WOC Tag 300sx Cmt Est Toc 2500' 25 SX Crost DUT CIBPE CASING SIZE 51/2" 15.5 4630 PERFORATIONS 4682-4692 4704 TD _____

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Permanent Abandonment of Federal Wells Conditions of Approval

Failure to comply with the following Conditions of Approval may result in a Notice of Incidents of Noncompliance (INC) in accordance with 43 CFR 3163.1.

1. Plugging operations shall commence within <u>ninety (90)</u> days from the approval date of this Notice of Intent to Abandon.

If you are unable to plug the well by the 90th day provide this office, prior to the 90th day, with the reason for not meeting the deadline and a date when we can expect the well to be plugged. Failure to do so will result in enforcement action.

2. <u>Notification:</u> Contact the appropriate BLM office at least 24 hours prior to the commencing of any plugging operations. For wells in Chaves and Roosevelt County, call 575-627-0272; Eddy County, call 575-361-2822; Lea County, call 575-393-3612.

3. <u>Blowout Preventers</u>: A blowout preventer (BOP), as appropriate, shall be installed prior to commencing any plugging operation. The minimum BOP requirement is a 2M system for a well not deeper than 9,090 feet; a 3M system for a well not deeper than 13,636 feet; and a 5M system for a well not deeper than 22,727 feet.

4. <u>Mud Requirement:</u> Mud shall be placed between all plugs. Minimum consistency of plugging mud shall be obtained by mixing at the rate of 25 sacks (50 pounds each) of gel per 100 barrels of water. Minimum nine (9) pounds per gallon.

5. <u>Cement Requirement</u>: Sufficient cement shall be used to bring any required plug to the specified depth and length. Any given cement volumes on the proposed plugging procedure are merely estimates and are not final. Unless specific approval is received, no plug except the surface plug shall be less than 25 sacks of cement. In lieu of a cement plug in a cased hole, a bridge plug set within 50 feet to 100 feet above the perforations shall be capped with 25 sacks of cement. If a bailer is used to cap this plug, 35 feet of cement shall be sufficient.

Unless otherwise specified in the approved procedure, the cement plug shall consist of either Neat Class "C", for up to 7,500 feet of depth or Neat Class "H", for deeper than 7,500 feet plugs.

6. <u>Dry Hole Marker</u>: All casing shall be cut-off at the base of the cellar or 3 feet below final restored ground level (whichever is deeper). The well bore shall then be capped with a 4-inch pipe, 10-feet in length, 4 feet above ground and embedded in cement. The following information shall be permanently inscribed on the dry hole marker: well name and number, name of the operator, lease serial number, surveyed location (quarter-quarter section, section, township and range or other authorized survey designation acceptable to the authorized officer such as metes and bounds).

7. <u>Subsequent Plugging Reporting</u>: Within 30 days after plugging work is completed, file one original and five copies of the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, Form 3160-5 to BLM. The report should give in detail the manner in which the plugging work was carried out, the extent (by depths) of cement plugs placed, and the size and location (by depths) of casing left in the well. **Show date well was plugged.**

8. <u>Trash:</u> All trash, junk and other waste material shall be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill. Burial on site is not permitted.

Following the submission and approval of the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, surface restoration conditions of approval will be developed and furnished to you.



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In Reply Refer To 1310

Reclamation (Interim/Final) Procedures

Reclamation Objective: Oil and gas development is one of many uses of the public lands and resources. While development may have a short- or long-term effect on the land, successful reclamation can ensure the effect is not permanent. During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo "interim" reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses. At final abandonment, well locations, production facilities, and access roads must undergo "final" reclamation so that the character and productivity of the land and water are restored.

The long-term objective of final reclamation is to set the course for eventual ecosystem restoration, including the restoration of the natural vegetation community, hydrology, and wildlife habitats. In most cases this means returning the land to a condition approximating or equal to that which existed prior to the disturbance. The final goal of reclamation is to restore the character of the land and water to its predisturbance condition. The operator is generally not responsible for achieving full ecological restoration of the site. Instead, the operator must achieve the short-term stability, visual, hydrological, and productivity objectives of the surface management agency and take steps necessary to ensure that long-term objectives will be reached through natural processes.

To achieve these objectives, remove any and all contaminants, scrap/trash, equipment, pipelines and powerlines. Strip and remove caliche, contour the location to blend with the surrounding landscape, redistribute the native soils, provide erosion control as needed, rip and seed as specified in the original APD COA. This will apply to well pads, facilities, and access roads. Barricade access road at the starting point. If reserve pits have not reclaimed due to salts or other contaminants, submit a plan for approval, as to how you propose to provide adequate restoration of the pit area.

- The Application for Permit to Drill or Reenter (APD, Form 3160-3), Surface Use Plan of Operations must include adequate measures for stabilization and reclamation of disturbed lands. Oil and Gas operators must plan for reclamation, both interim and final, up front in the APD process as per Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 1.
- 2. For wells and/or access roads not having an approved plan, or an inadequate plan for surface reclamation (either interim or final reclamation), the operator must submit a proposal describing the procedures for reclamation. For interim reclamation, the appropriate time for submittal would be when filing the Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log (Form 3160-4). For final reclamation, the appropriate time for submittal would be when filing the Notice of Intent, or the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells (Form 3160-5). Interim reclamation is to be completed within 6 months of well completion, and final reclamation is to be completed within 6 months.

3. The operator must file a Subsequent Report Plug and Abandonment (Form 3160-5) following the plugging of a well.

4. Previous instruction had you waiting for a BLM specialist to inspect the location and provide you with reclamation requirements. If you have an approved Surface Use Plan of Operation and/or an approved Sundry Notice, you are free to proceed with reclamation as per approved APD. If you have issues or concerns, contact a BLM specialist to assist you. It would be in your interest to have a BLM specialist look at the location and access road prior to the removal of reclamation

equipment to ensure that it meets BLM objectives. Upon conclusion submit a Form 3160-5, Subsequent Report of Reclamation. This will prompt a specialist to inspect the location to verify work was completed as per approved plans.

The approved Subsequent Report of Reclamation will be your notice that the native soils, contour and seedbed have been reestablished. If the BLM objectives have not been met the operator will be notified and corrective actions may be required.

. It is the responsibility of the operator to monitor these locations and/or access roads until such time as the operator feels that the BLM objective has been met. If after two growing seasons the location and/or access roads are not showing the potential for successful revegetation, additional actions may be needed. When you feel the BLM objectives have been met submit a Final Abandonment Notice (FAN), Form 3160-5, stating that all reclamation requirements have been achieved and the location and/or access road is ready for a final abandonment inspection.

7. At this time the BLM specialist will inspect the location and/or access road. If the native soils and contour have been restored, and the revegetation is successful, the FAN will be approved, releasing the operator of any further liability of the location and/or access road. If the location and/or access road have not achieved the objective, you will be notified as to additional work needed or additional time being needed to achieve the objective.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact any of the following specialists:

Jim Amos

Supervisory Environmental Protection Specialist 575-234-5909, 575-361-2648 (Cell)

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