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## 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

KNIGHT No.001				I-21-24S-37E	30-025-11186-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926540154
Violations						
Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
Comments on Inspection:		Well signs at well and battery not legible and not in compliance with current rule (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to replace well signs. MW				

KNIGHT No.003				P-21-24S-37E	30-025-11187-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926544845
Violations						
Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
Comments on Inspection:		Well sign not legible and not in compliance with current rule (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to replace well sign. MW				

**KNIGHT No.004**

M-22-24S-37E

**30-025-11190-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926542171
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> Well signs at well and battery not legible and not in compliance with current rule (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to replace well signs. MW						

**KNIGHT No.002**

L-22-24S-37E

**30-025-11191-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926539320
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> Well sign not legible and not in compliance with current rule (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to replace well sign. MW						

**KNIGHT No.011**

M-22-24S-37E

**30-025-20350-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926542324
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> Well sign not legible and not in compliance with current rule (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to replace well sign. MW						

**KNIGHT No.009**

L-22-24S-37E

**30-025-20352-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926539863
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> Well sign not legible and not in compliance with current rule (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to replace well sign. Leak in injection line approximately 200 feet northwest of the #10 well. Need to repair flowline and then submit C141 to Mr. Geoffrey Leking in this office prior to beginning clean up operations. 1st notice. MW						

**KNIGHT No.014**

P-21-24S-37E

**30-025-27490-00-00**

Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
09/22/2009	Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker	Yes	No	12/26/2009	iMAW0926545087
<b>Violations</b> Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
<b>Comments on Inspection:</b> No well sign (Rule 19.15.16.8). Need to install new well sign. 1st notice. MW						

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 Division 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.

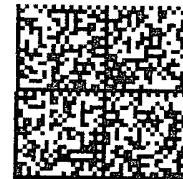
Sincerely,

  
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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