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**LETTER OF VIOLATION - Inactive Well(s)**

Dear Operator:

A review of our records and recent inspection(s) indicate that the subject well(s) has been shut-in for an extended period of time. Rule 201 of the Rules and Regulation of the Oil Conservation Division provides that a well may be shut-in no longer than sixty days after suspension of drilling operations, upon determining that the well is no longer usable (e.g., a dry hole), or one year after last production. To comply with guidelines as established in the Rules and Regulations, corrective actions must be taken immediately and the well(s) brought into compliance.

The detail section below indicates preliminary findings and/or probable nature of the violation.

The following options are available:

1. Immediately restore the well(s) to production, injection or disposal as applicable.
2. Request 'Temporary Abandoned' status pursuant to Rule 203, which requires that you set a plug and conduct a mechanical integrity test.
3. Submit a proposal to 'Plug and Abandon' the well(s) pursuant to Rule 202, proceed with plugging procedures on a timely basis after the proposal has been evaluated, amended and/or approved.

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.

**IDLE WELL INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION**

KAISER STATE 010		N-13-21S-34E	30-025-02539-00-00	Inspection No. iMAW1035036739
Inspection Date:	12/16/2010 10:12:16 AM		Corrective Action Due by: 3/21/2011	
Type Inspection	Inspector		Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?
Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker		Yes	No
Comments on Inspection:	Idle Well (Rule 19.15.25.8). NEED TO RETURN TO PRODUCTION, TEST FOR T/A STATUS. OR PLUG & ABANDON WELL. No well sign (19.15.16.8). NEED TO INSTALL WELL SIGN. 1st notice.			
STATE E 022		K-23-21S-34E	30-025-02572-00-00	Inspection No. iMAW1035032153
Inspection Date:	12/16/2010 8:55:51 AM		Corrective Action Due by: 3/21/2011	
Type Inspection	Inspector		Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?
Routine/Periodic	Mark Whitaker		Yes	No
Comments on Inspection:	Idle Well (Rule 19.15.25.8). NEED TO RETURN TO PRODUCTION, TEST FOR T/A STATUS. OR PLUG & ABANDON WELL. 1st notice.			
WILSON STATE 004		I-23-21S-34E	30-025-02578-00-00	Inspection No. iMAW1035032785

Inspection Date: 12/16/2010 9:06:21 AM

Corrective Action Due by: 3/21/2011

Type Inspection

Inspector

Violation?

\*Significant Non-Compliance?

Routine/Periodic

Mark Whitaker

Yes

No

Comments on Inspection:

Idle Well (Rule 19.15.25.8). NEED TO RETURN TO PRODUCTION, TEST FOR T/A STATUS, OR  
PLUG & ABANDON WELL. No well sign (19.15.16.8). NEED TO INSTALL WELL SIGN. 1st notice.

STATE P 006

B-24-21S-34E

30-025-30334-00-00

Inspection No. iMAW1035036419

Inspection Date: 12/16/2010 10:06:57 AM

Corrective Action Due by: 3/21/2011

Type Inspection

Inspector

Violation?

\*Significant Non-Compliance?

Routine/Periodic

Mark Whitaker

Yes

No

Comments on Inspection:

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PLUG & ABANDON WELL. 1st notice.

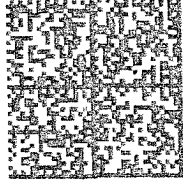
Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and your efforts in helping to protect our environment and the infrastructure of the oil and gas industry.

Sincerely,

Hobbs OCD District Office

\* Significant Non-Compliance events are reported directly to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI, Dallas, Texas.

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