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Response Required – Deadline Enclosed

Field Inspection Program

"Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

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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.

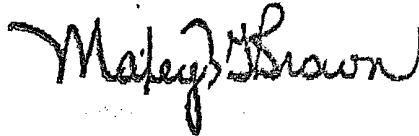
Please notify the proper district office of the Division, in writing, of the date corrective actions are scheduled to be made so that arrangements can be made to reinspect the well and/or facility.

INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION

LEA 4011 STATE No.001				N-8-18S-35E	30-025-20173-00-00	
Inspection Date	Type Inspection	Inspector	Violation?	*Significant Non-Compliance?	Corrective Action Due By:	Inspection No.
01/26/2011	Routine/Periodic	Maxey Brown	Yes	No	5/1/2011	iMGB1102657172
Violations						
Absent Well Identification Signs (Rule 103)						
Idle well (Rule 201)						
Comments on Inspection: NEED TO RETURN WELL TO PROD OR T/A OR P/A. EXPIRED T/A. RULE 19.15.25.8. NEED TO CORRECT WELL SIGN. RULE 19.15.16.8. THIS IS 2ND LETTER OF NON-COMPLIANCE. MGB.						

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,

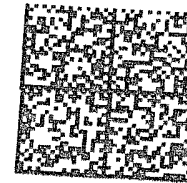
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maley Brown". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Maley" and last name "Brown" clearly distinguishable.

Hobbs OCD District Office

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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