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Aspen Exploration Inc.
2901 Dallas Parkway
Suite 380
Dallas, Tx 75093

RE: Aspen 27 State # 1

Unit Letter N, Section 27, Township 14 South, Range 34 East

API # 30-025-34280

Gentleman:

Through routine inspection and record review it has come to our attention that the above referenced well has been shut in for an extended period of time. Order R -9210 state that a well can not be shut in for longer than a year. The following options are available for the future disposition of the above well.

1. Restore the well to production
2. The well temporarily abandoned in accordance with Rule 203
3. The well plugged and abandoned in accordance with Rule 202

This letter is the first step in the documentation to schedule a Show Cause Hearing. To avoid further action on this well the NMOCD request that you submit a NMOCD form C-103 telling us your intent for this well by August 30, 2001. If you do not respond we will have no choice but to schedule a Show Cause Hearing. We request that you notify this office 24 hours prior to any operation, either repair or plugging and pressure test upon completion of repairs or to request TA status.

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