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District Office

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-103
Revised 1-1-89

DISTRICT I
P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II
P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

WELL API NO. 30-025-06742
5. Indicate Type of Lease STATE <input type="checkbox"/> FEE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6. State Oil & Gas Lease No.
7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name ARGO A
8. Well No. 10
9. Pool name or Wildcat HARE-SAN ANDRES
10. Elevation (Show whether DF, RKB, RT, GR, etc.) 3437' DF

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS
(DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR PROPOSALS TO DRILL OR TO DEEPEN OR PLUG BACK TO A
DIFFERENT RESERVOIR. USE "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT"
(FORM C-101) FOR SUCH PROPOSALS.)

1. Type of Well:
OIL WELL ☐ GAS WELL ☒ OTHER & WATER SOURCE

2. Name of Operator
Shell Western E&P Inc.

3. Address of Operator
P.O. Box 576 Houston, TX 77001-0576 (WCK 4413)

4. Well Location
Unit Letter C : 660 Feet From The NORTH Line and 1660 Feet From The WEST Line
Section 22 Township 21S Range 37E NMPM LEA County

11. Check Appropriate Box to Indicate Nature of Notice, Report, or Other Data

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO:

PERFORM REMEDIAL WORK ☐ PLUG AND ABANDON ☐
TEMPORARILY ABANDON ☐ CHANGE PLANS ☒
PULL OR ALTER CASING ☐
OTHER: SI EXTENSION REQUEST ☒

SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF:

REMEDIAL WORK ☐ ALTERING CASING ☐
COMMENCE DRILLING OPNS. ☐ PLUG AND ABANDONMENT ☐
CASING TEST AND CEMENT JOB ☐
OTHER: ☐

12. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work) SEE RULE 1103.

RESPONSIVE TO NMCD LETTER OF 1/14/92 (COPY ATTACHED), SHELL WESTERN SEEKS AN EXCEPTION TO NMCD ORDER NO. R-9210 BY REQUESTING APPROVAL OF A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THIS WELL'S SHUT-IN STATUS PENDING OCD/ED TASK FORCE DECISION. THE ARGO 'A' #10 HAS BEEN SHUT-IN SINCE 1/91.

ATTACHMENT

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE [Signature] TITLE DIV. ENVIRONMENTAL ENGR. DATE 2/03/92

TYPE OR PRINT NAME W. F. N. KELLDORF TELEPHONE NO. 713/870-3426

(This space for State Use)

APPROVED BY _____ TITLE _____ DATE FEB 07 '92

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

1/14/92



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

BRUCE KING
GOVERNOR

POST OFFICE BOX 1980
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88241-1980
(505) 393-8181

January 14, 1992

Mr. B.S. Jacobs
Shell Western E & P Inc.
P.O. Box 576
Houston, TX 77001

RE: NORTHEAST ARGO "A" WELL #10
PLUG AND ABANDONMENT PROCEDURES

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

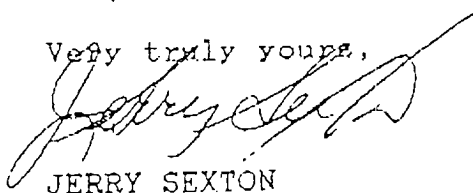
The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your proposed procedure to plug and abandon the ~~Northeast Argo~~ "A" well #10. The OCD cannot approve your proposed procedure to re-inject the natural occurring radioactive material (NORM) scale back into the San Andres formation.

The OCD does not have any rules pertaining to NORM and how to dispose of it. The Environmental Division (ED) has jurisdiction over NORM associated with oil and gas production and refused to grant the OCD permission to approve your proposed procedure. An alternative would be to store the material in drums, on a pad with a tarp over it until a procedure can be approved. Other operators in the area have used this practice in anticipation of a decision.

The OCD and the ED have set up a task force to implement a method to dispose of this waste. A decision should be forthcoming in 6 months to a year. The task force was ordered by Judy Espinoza, Secretary of the Environment, with hope of rectifying this problem.

The OCD would like to thank Shell Western E & P Inc. for it's concern. If you have any further questions, contact Chris Eustice at (505) 393-6161.

Very truly yours,


JERRY SEXTON
District I Supervisor

JS/sad

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DIVISION, HEALTH, SAFETY
& ENVIRONMENT MANAGER
WESTERN DIVISION

