



**COLORADO**

**Oil & Gas Conservation  
Commission**

Department of Natural Resources

1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

## **WARNING LETTER # 2540728**

July 17, 2014

Slade\* Sheldon – Op#79706  
10 Road 4903  
Bloomfield, NM 87413

Slade #1  
API# 067-06653  
SENE Sec18-33N-12W  
La Plata County

**This Warning Letter is to inform you that the oil and gas facility or the oil and gas operations listed above may be in violation of the rules and regulations of the Colorado Oil and Conservation Commission (“COGCC”) and correction action is required.**

There is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, or of any rule, regulation, or order of the Commission, or of any permit issued by the Commission, has occurred. The Operator's compliance with this Warning Letter is required to resolve these alleged violations. This document requires the Operator to timely respond to the COGCC and to comply with directives as listed by the **Corrective Action Deadline Date**. Failure to do so will result in the issuance of a Notice of Alleged Violation and initiation of enforcement proceedings in which COGCC will seek monetary penalties for the alleged violations pursuant to § 34-60-121, C.R.S. and Rule 523, COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1.

The COGCC requires Sheldon Slade to implement corrective action(s) for the conditions identified below.

COGCC recently conducted a phone audit to verify registered phone and mailing address, and discovered that the phone number provided was invalid. Subsequently, a letter was mailed to the registered address requesting that a new Form 1 be submitted pursuant to Rule 302a. The letter was returned on May 19, 2014 as undeliverable unable to forward. On July 16, 2014, an inspection was conducted on the subject well to determine the status of the well. Attached you will find a copy of the results of this inspection that require corrective action.

COGCC is requesting that a Form 1 Registration for Oil and Gas Operations and Form 1A Designation of Agent be completed and submitted pursuant to Rules 302.a and 302.b. Sheldon

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Slade shall also contact area field inspector Joe Maclaren at #970-382-1680 and Engineer Supervisor, Dave Andrews at #970-625-2497 ext 1 to address inspection violations.

Rule 302.a Form 1 – Registration for Oil & Gas Operations  
Rule 302.b Form 1A – Designation of Agent

**How to Comply with this Warning Letter:**

- 1) Complete and submit an original Form 1 signed by the owner/principal of the well to include an emergency contact and alternative emergency phone number(s).
- 2) Complete and submit an original Form 1A designating a “**principal agent**” serving as a representative of the operator to accept and be served with notices from COGCC. List any individuals authorized to sign and submit documents on behalf of the operator. This form shall provide valid direct phone numbers, signatures and valid email addresses for all parties listed, and signed by the owner/principal.

**Corrective Action Deadline Date: July 31, 2014**

**Failure to Comply with Warning Letter:**

If Sheldon Slade fails to perform required corrective actions, COGCC will issue a Notice of Alleged Violation and seek penalties pursuant to § 34-60-121, C.R.S. and Rule 523, COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1. (Please note that the COGCC's penalty authority was recently increased to a maximum of \$15,000 per day and penalties are no longer capped at a maximum of \$10,000 per violation.)

All well data, rules and forms are available on our website at [www.colorado.gov/cogcc](http://www.colorado.gov/cogcc) If you have any questions about this Warning Letter, please contact the COGCC representative below.

Sincerely,

Martha Ramos  
Financial Assurance Supervisor

Attachments: Form 1 Registration for Oil & Gas Operations  
Form 1A Designation of Agent  
Field Inspection Report Doc#674600615 dated 7/16/2014

