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Dear Reporter:

Effective immediately, the Minerals Management Service (MMS) has changed reporting requirements for wells in New Mexico that are commingled downhole.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division initiated a new requirement to have all wells reported by field pool or formation. We want to accommodate this requirement for Federal and Indian wells so the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and MMS will assign downhole commingled wells a "C" tubing string in the completion code portion of the API well number.

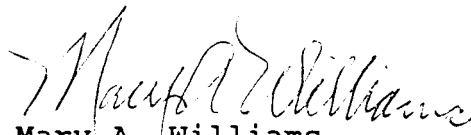
Example: 300450123400S1 (not commingled downhole)
300450678900C1 (commingled downhole)

We are in the process of updating the well records. However, you can begin using the "C" tubing string on the Monthly Report of Operations, Form MMS-3160, immediately. If you use the Model MMS-3160, the API well number will not reflect the new "C" tubing string until we receive the appropriate update from BLM. Please make pen and ink changes as necessary.

The Oil and Gas Operations Report (OGOR) cannot accommodate the use of the "C" tubing string at this time. If you report on the OGOR and need assistance please contact your production reporting representative.

If you have any questions, please contact your production reporting representative at 800-752-2071 or 800-525-7922.

Sincerely,


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