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Case No. 17-CONS-3520-OPEN

REQUEST FOR HEARING

The reasons for the delay in getting the Alternate 2 Cementing done on this well are many. From the first week of January to the 21st of March when this deadline was reached this part of Rooks county had received almost 12" of rain. Getting in and out of the location was often impossible and when we did get back in to work it would rain or snow again. The work over rig often set for days at a time.

Along with the rain were the epic wild fires that were just to the south of the well that nearly caused the evacuation of the southern part of Stockton. It was impossible to get anyone to work because they were helping someone they knew who was affected.

My family has been in Stockton for over 130 years. I grew up there and have enjoyed drilling wells in Rooks county for many years so I know how extreme the weather can be. This late winter and spring have been exceptionally rough.

Richard Williams also knows what I was up against in the way of weather and fires. He visited the site 2 weeks prior to the deadline and realized that the Alternate 2 Cement job had not been done.

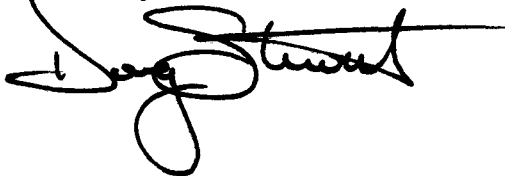
But instead of calling me to warn me of the deadline he waited the 2 weeks and called me to tell me that I was being fined. And he did so as rude as he possibly could. I have a hard time believing that the KCC promotes this kind of behavior.

In the past I have always received a warning letter letting me know that I was 2 weeks or so from being fined for failing to fill out a form. But not this time when the fine was the huge. When I have called into the KCC office in the past everyone has been very helpful and courteous so I'm very confused by the lack of a warning letter or phone call. This is not the normal practice that I have witnessed in the past.

I have another new operation in Montana that has been a distraction and one of the reasons that I did not get the request for an extension in to the KCC on the Alternate 2 Cement job. A warning letter would have been all it would have taken to get my attention.

We completed the Alternate 2 Cement job about 2 weeks late, but we were doing the best we could.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Stewart". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.