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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate  
District Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
side of form

## Release Notification and Corrective Action

### OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

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| Name of Company: Linn Energy                | Contact: Joe Hernandez                             |                      |
| Address: 2130 W Bender Blvd. - Hobbs, NM    | Telephone No.: 575-942-8675                        |                      |
| Facility Name: Max Friess "MA" Tank Battery | Facility Type: Oil and Produced Water Tank Battery |                      |
| Surface Owner: State of NM                  | Mineral Owner: BLM                                 | Lease No.: LC-065014 |

### LOCATION OF RELEASE

|             |               |                 |              |               |                  |               |                |                |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Unit Letter | Section<br>30 | Township<br>17S | Range<br>31E | Feet from the | North/South Line | Feet from the | East/West Line | County<br>Eddy |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|

Latitude: 32.808228 Longitude: -103.905249

### NATURE OF RELEASE


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| Type of Release: Oil/Produced Water  | Volume of Release: 25/3 bbl                                    | Volume Recovered: 25                           |
| Source of Release: Heater Treated  | Date and Hour of Occurrence:<br>09/09/11 - 1500                | Date and Hour of Discovery:<br>09/09/11 - 1515 |
| Was Immediate Notice Given?<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required | If YES, To Whom?<br>M Bratcher - OCD Artesia, T Gregston - BLM |  |
| By Whom? D. Potter   | Date and Hour: 09/09/11 - 1600                                 |  |
| Was a Watercourse Reached?<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  | If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.                      |  |

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*:

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*: Heater treater over-pressured casing pop-off valve on the top of the unit and the pressure relief valve on the bottom of the unit to open.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*: Overspray from the top of the unit impacted an area ~ 50' x 90' on the pad. Hydrocarbons from the pressure relief valve flowed outside of the south side of the containment moving westward. The impacted area on the south side is approximately 180' long by 10-15' wide. Vertical impact ranges from 3-6". Corrective action plan attached.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

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| Signature:  | <b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b> |                  |                                   |
| Printed Name: Jose Hernandez   | Approved by District Supervisor: |                  |                                   |
| Title: Foreman   | Approval Date:                   | Expiration Date: |                                   |
| E-mail Address: jhernandez@linenergy.com   | Conditions of Approval:          |                  | Attached <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Date: 09/13/11   | Phone: 575-738-1739              |                  |                                   |

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary