

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

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

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

### Release Notification and Corrective Action

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**OPERATOR** Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company: Linn Energy	Contact: Aaron Hickert
Address: 2130 W Bender, Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No. 432-363-9496
Facility Name: Skelly A Battery (Skelly Unit #213)	Facility Type: Tank Battery
Surface Owner: Federal	Mineral Owner:
API No. 30-015-29762	

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from	East/West Line	County
A	22	17S	31E	40	North	1220	East	Eddy

Latitude: 32.8272362 Longitude: -103.8529129

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release: Oil	Volume of Release: 2 bbls	Volume Recovered: 1.5 bbls
Source of Release: Compressor	Date and Hour of Occurrence 08/14/2015	Date and Hour of Discovery 08/14/2015 10:00 PM
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	
By Whom? Joe Hernandez	Date and Hour:	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

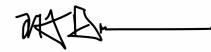
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

Went out to check on lact unit when seeing it on tank logics that it was at 10' and it usually sales at 6 to 7 ft. When arriving at battery, I saw that the gas compressor had oil spraying out of the head gasket, leaving two - three barrels of oil on the ground, which was picked up by Lamina Trucking and cleaned up by DFSI. I then went to the heater and saw that the heater had lost its pressure and that the heater was full of oil and it had ran over into the gas line into the compressor. I then proceeded to shut in the entire field until I had the matter handled. I found that I went on bad oil and the lact derived back to the water knock out the oil, causing the heater to lose pressure and with not enough pressure the fluid entering the heater would not dump, causing the heater to over flow with fluid. I dumped a lot of my production into my produced water tank, which I had water hauler skin tank to retrieve oil. After retrieving oil, he then put back into my oil tanks. After finally getting my heater equalized, I then turned all wells back on. Spill was 3' x 15', ran north then started running west 4'x20' at Skelly A Gas Compressor.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.

The impacted soils were scraped and properly disposed of at a NMOCD approved facility. The excavation was backfilled with clean, imported caliche to ground surface and contoured to the surrounding area.

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.

Signature: 	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Aaron Hickert	Approved by Environmental Specialist: 	
Title: Sr EH&S Representative	Approval Date: 2/3/17	Expiration Date: 2/3/17
E-mail Address: ahickert@linenergy.com	Conditions of Approval: N/A	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 01/31/2017 Phone: 432-363-9496	FINAL	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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