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-129 Revised August 1, 2011

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

NFO Permit No.

(For Division Use Only)

## **APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO NO-FLARE RULE 19.15.18.12**

(See Rule 19.15.18.12 NMAC and Rule 19.15.7.37 NMAC)

Α.	Applicant,			
	whose address is, 1945 Bluestem Road, Artesia, NM 88210			
	hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18.12 for 90 days or unti			
, Yr, for the following described tank battery (or LA				
	Name of Lease     D State #49 Battery     Yeso			
	Location of Battery: Unit Letter E Section 36 Township 17S Range 28E			
	Number of wells producing into battery 17			
В.	Based upon oil production ofbarrels per day, the estimated * volume			
	of gas to be flared is 1.6MMCF; Value\$4000per day.			
C.	Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility: Artesia DCP			
D.	DistanceEstimated cost of connection			
E.	This is for an extension to the following reasons:			
	previous one that will expire August 30, 2013.			
OPERATOF				
Division have b	that the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation been complied with and that the information given above plete to the best of my knowledge and belief.			
Signature	200 Mada			
Printed Nam	<sup>e</sup> Fatima Vasquez - Regulatory Tech II Title			
& Title E-mail Addr	Eatima Vasquez@apachecorp.com			
	0/2013 Telephone No. (432) 818-1015			
Gas-Oil ra	tio test may be required to verify estimated gas volume.			
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Submit 3 Copies To Appropriate District Office <u>District I</u> 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 District II	al Resources	Form C-103 June 19, 2008 WELL API NO.		
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION istrict III istrict IV 220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 7505 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505		<ul> <li>5. Indicate Type of Lease</li> <li>STATE  FEE</li> <li>6. State Oil &amp; Gas Lease No.</li> </ul>		
SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS (DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR PROPOSALS TO DRILL OR TO DEEPEN OR PLUC DIFFERENT RESERVOIR. USE "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT" (FORM C-101) FOR PROPOSALS.)		7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name D State 49 Battery		
1. Type of Well: I Oil Well Gas Well Other:	8. Well Number			
2. Name of Operator Apache Corporation	9. OGRID Number 873			
3. Address of Operator	10. Pool name or Wildcat			
303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 3000 Midland, TX 79705 4. Well Location		Yeso		
Unit Letter E feet from the line and feet from the line				
Section 36 Township 17S Range 28E NMPM County Eddy				
11. Elevation (Show whether DR, RKB, RT, GR, etc.)				
12. Check Appropriate Box to Indicate Nature of Notice, Report or Other Data				
	SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF: REMEDIAL WORK ALTERING CASING COMMENCE DRILLING OPNS. P AND A CASING/CEMENT JOB			
	OTHER:			
13. Describe proposed or completed operations. (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work). SEE RULE 1103. For Multiple Completions: Attach wellbore diagram of proposed completion or recompletion.				
Apache is requesting an extension to flare gas from the D State wells. Intermittent flaring will occur due to DCP's repair and plant problems. Gas will be measured prior to flaring.				
The last 5 digits of the API #'s to the 17 wells that go to the D State 49 Battery are:				
D State #12         -32488         D State #54         -38586         D State #67         -           D State #22         -31966         D State #55         -38587         D State #68         -           D State #25         -35869         D State #61         -38969         D State #74         -	39739 39740 39741 39924 39925	AUG 1 4 2013 NMOCD ARTESIA		
Spud Date: Rig Release Date	e:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.				
SIGNATURE	ory Tech II	DATE 08/09/2013		
Type or print name <u>Fatima Vasquez</u> E-mail address:	Fatima.Vasquez@ap	achecorp.com PHONE: (432) 818-1015		
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APPROVED BY: A DATE TITLE TITLE TO APPROVED BY: DATE \$/19/2013 Conditions of Approval (if any): A See HHAVE ONA'S				

## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION DISTRICT 2 OFFICE 811 SOUTH FIRST STREET ARTESIA, NM 88210 (575)748-1283

## **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL for FLARING or VENTING GAS**

- 1. Venting gas is absolutely not allowed.
- 2. Prior to flaring gas, C-129 must be filed & approved. Blanket approval cannot be given for this operation.
- 3. Flared volumes of gas are to be metered & reported.
- 4. Flares WILL be manned at all times. Brush should be cut down to 1 or 2 inches around flare stack at least a radial distance of 2 times the height of the flare stack.
- 5. Flares WILL NOT be left unattended.
- No flaring operations to be conducted during red-flag days. <u>http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc</u> (go to "Predictive Services" on SWCC website) to check for red flag warnings.
- 7. Follow safe practices for flaring guidelines.
- 8. Permit may be rescinded at any time by NMOCD.
- **9.** If well is able to be connected to a gas gathering system, it will be done so as soon as possible.
- 10. <u>Flaring of gas is prohibited</u>. The State Forester grants an exception to the prohibition on open fires for the flaring of natural gas when the following conditions are met. Unless flaring is needed for safety purposes, flaring pursuant to this exception shall not be done on days that are "red flag days" as determined by the National Weather Service or on days when the sustained wind is in excess of 25 miles per hour in the area.
- 11.1. The day is not a "red flag day" as determined by the National Weather Service and the sustained wind is not in excess of 25 miles per hour in the area.

- 12.2. The local fire department and county dispatch are notified at least 24 hours in advance of anticipated releases that will result in flaring. If flaring is done by an automated system then the schedule of flaring shall be provided to the local fire department and county dispatch. The area is mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris shall be cleared in the area for a distance of one and one half times the height of the stack.
- 13.3. At least one adult is on site with communications equipment adequate to reach county dispatch and the local fire department in the event of a fire. The individual should also be equipped with a shovel and a water backpack pump or other equipment to deliver water to suppress a fire.
- 14.4. If flaring is to take place at an unmanned facility, then the area around the flare stack is mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris shall be cleared in the area for a distance of three times the height of the stack.

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March 19, 2013 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Jim Winchester (505)231-8800 E-Mail: jim.winchester@state.nm.us

## Notice to Oil and Gas Facilities and Operators Flaring Gas in New Mexico

SANTA FE, NM – The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) encourages all oil and gas facilities with flare stacks and well operators that are flaring gas to upgrade their *Fire Awareness Programs* this year. New Mexico State Forestry reports that 460 fires have burned 25,475 acres on state and private land in calendar year 2012.

Forecasts remain dismal this spring with fewer chances for normal precipitation, particularly in southwestern New Mexico and southeastern Arizona. Temperatures could also be higher than normal.

Open flames and gas flares should be monitored carefully and oil and gas operators should create a defensible space to help prevent wildfires. Defensible Space is the area around a structure where combustible vegetation that can spread fire has been cleared, reduced or replaced. This space acts as a barrier between a structure and an advancing wildfire.

During the course of the upcoming fire season, it may become necessary for New Mexico State. Forestry to issue fire restriction on State and private land. Log on to <u>www.nmforestry.com</u> for updates or call your local district office.

New Mexico State Forestry offers the following guidelines for establishing effective defensible space:

- Create a "Lean, Clean and Green" firebreak area by removing flammable vegetation and growth within 30 feet of each structure. Single trees and shrubs may be retained if they are well spaced, pruned and placed so they avoid the spread of fire. Maintain an irrigation system for any vegetation near structures.
- Keep grass and weeds mowed.
- Prune lower tree limbs to at least 6 feet up to 15 feet (or lower 1/3 of branches on smaller trees).
- Remove vegetation and debris around propane tanks.

For the latest fire weather information please visit USDA Forest Service website: <u>http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/current.php</u>

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