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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
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NMOC D ARTESIA

Form C-141
Revised August 8, 2011

Release Notification and Corrective Action

Operator ☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company	Linn Energy	Contact	Brian Wall
Address	2130 W. Bender Blvd., Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.	(806) 367-0645
Facility Name	Max Friess "MA" Battery	Facility Type	Battery
Surface Owner	State	Mineral Owner	BLM
		API No.	3001526882

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
G	30	17S	31E	1682	FNL	1479	FEL	Eddy

Latitude 32°48'29.354"N Longitude 103°54'19.52"W

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Produced Water and Oil	Volume of Release	5-10 barrels	Volume Recovered	0 barrels
Source of Release	Battery release	Date and Hour of Occurrence	1/31/13	Date and Hour of Discovery	1/31/13
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?			
By Whom?		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.*

A release in the battery of produced water and oil occurred. A total of 5-10 barrels were released.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* The release remained inside the bermed area of the battery. RECS met with BLM on July 29th, 2013. BLM stated that a vertical needed to be conducted at the site. On August 5th, 2013 a vertical was installed to a depth of 15 ft bgs. Samples were taken at regular intervals and field tested for chlorides and hydrocarbons. Representative samples were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. As the vertical was advanced, laboratory chloride readings dropped until they reached 608 mg/kg at 15 ft bgs. GRO, DRO and BTEX laboratory readings were non-detect, except for at the surface where the DRO reading was 4,100 mg/kg. On August 6th, 2013 BLM approved soil bore installation activities at the site that occurred on August 20th, 2013. One soil bores was installed at the site to a depth of 35 ft bgs. Field samples were taken at regular intervals as the bore was advanced and representative samples from the bore were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. A Corrective Action Plan will be submitted to NMOC D and BLM with a path forward to remedy the site.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOC D 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 NMOC D 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, NMOC D 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.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Signature: *Brian Wall*

Printed Name: Brian Wall

Title: Construction Foreman II

E-mail Address: Bwall@linenergy.com

Date:

Phone: (806) 367-0645

Approved by Environmental Specialist:

Signed By *M. L. Brannon*

Approval Date: SEP 06 2013

Expiration Date:

Conditions of Approval:

Remediation per OCD Rule & Guidelines, &
like approval by BLM. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION**

Attached ☐

PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN:

October 6, 2013

2RP-1898

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary