

NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

AUG 5 2015

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, 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

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

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Form C-129
Revised August 1, 2011

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)

- A. Applicant XTO ENERGY INC.
whose address is 500 W. Illinois, Ste. 100 Midland, TX 79701
hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18.12 for 31 days or until
August 31, Yr 15, for the following described tank battery (or LACT):
Name of Lease NASH UNIT Name of Pool NASH DRAW; DELAWARE/BS (AVALON)
Location of Battery: Unit Letter H Section 13 Township 23S Range 29E
Number of wells producing into battery 9
- B. Based upon oil production of 216 barrels per day, the estimated * volume
of gas to be flared is 223,600 MCF; Value 5200 per day.
- C. Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility:
Enterprise Gathering LLC
- D. Distance _____ Estimated cost of connection _____
- E. This exception is requested for the following reasons: Enterprise compressor issues causing
us to flare intermittently.

30-015-21277

OPERATOR

I hereby certify that the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation
Division have been complied with and that the information given above
is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature _____

Printed Name
& Title Patty Urias, Regulatory Analyst

E-mail Address patty_urias@xtoenergy.com

Date 8/5/15 Telephone No. 432.620.4318

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Approved Until Aug 31 2015

By RDade

Title Asst. Supervisor

Date 8-11-2015

* See Attached COA's

* Gas-Oil ratio test may be required to verify estimated gas volume.

**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.
6. No flaring operations to be conducted during red-flag days.
<http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc> (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. Flaring of gas is prohibited. 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.

Your initials here

SRD

DATE: *8-11-2015*

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Governor

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Deputy Cabinet Secretary

David Catanach
Division Director
Oil Conservation Division



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 www.nmforestry.com 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:

<http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/current.php>

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The Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department provides resource protection and renewable energy resource development services to the public and other state agencies.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OCD Artesia

FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1004-0135
Expires: July 31, 2010

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS
Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.

1. Type of Well ☒ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other		5. Lease Serial No. NMLC029435B
2. Name of Operator APACHE CORPORATION		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
3a. Address 303 VETERANS AIRPARK LANE SUITE 3000 MIDLAND, TX 79705		7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.
3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 432-818-1000 Ext: 1027 Fx: 432-818-1198		8. Well Name and No. NFE FEDERAL 42H <i>COM</i>
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) Sec 6 T17S R31E NESE 2065FSL 200FEL 32.861833 N Lat, 103.900653 W Lon		9. API Well No. 30-015-42902-00-X1
		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory CEDAR LAKE
		11. County or Parish, and State EDDY COUNTY, NM

12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
☒ Notice of Intent	☐ Acidize	☐ Deepen	☐ Production (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Alter Casing	☐ Fracture Treat	☐ Reclamation	☐ Well Integrity
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Casing Repair	☐ New Construction	☐ Recomplete	☒ Other
	☐ Change Plans	☐ Plug and Abandon	☐ Temporarily Abandon	Change to Original A
	☐ Convert to Injection	☐ Plug Back	☐ Water Disposal	PD

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recompleate horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompleation in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

Apache request to change hole size after drill out of intermediate from 8-3/4" hole thru the curve and 7-7/8" in the lateral to 8-1/2" hole from under intermediate to TD.

Apache also request to change the setting depth for the 7" casing from Old: 4873' to New: 4800'. Cement volumes will remain the same as approved on APD.

Apache request to add COM to the well name per COM #NM134086

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ARTESIA DISTRICT

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original COAs still stand

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Accepted for record

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7/30/15

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Electronic Submission #307939 verified by the BLM Well Information System For APACHE CORPORATION, sent to the Carlsbad Committed to AFMSS for processing by JENNIFER SANCHEZ on 07/06/2015 (15JAS0418SE)	
Name (Printed/Typed) JORDAN R EVANS	Title DRILLING ENGINEER
Signature (Electronic Submission)	Date 07/02/2015
THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE	
Approved By	Title
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.	Office
Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.	

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