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 April 3, 2017

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.

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						OPERATOR			☐ Initial Report ☐ Final Report			
Name of Company: Foundation Energy Management						Contact: Bonita J Harris						
Address: 5057 Keller Springs Rd, Suite 650 Addison, TX 75001						Telephone No: 918-526-5595						
Facility Name: Fort AIO 1						Facility Type: Oil Well						
Surface Owner Fee Mineral Owner						Fee API No.: 30-025-31181						
LOCATIO							LEASE					
Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the		/South Line	Feet from the	East/V	Vest Line	County		
P	20	20 13S 34E 330			South	990	East		Lea			
Latitude_33.1078412_ Longitude103.527832_ NAD83  NATURE OF RELEASE												
Type of Release: Oil						Volume of Release: 75bbl Volume Recovered: 65bbl						
Source of Release: Equipment Freeze						Date and Hour of Occurrence:  1/3/2018 at 11:00 am  Date and Hour of Discovery:  1/3/2018 at 11:00 am					covery:	
Was Immediate Notice Given?						If YES, To Whom?: d Olivia Yu						
By Whom?: Bonita J Harris						Date and Hour: 1/4/2018 @8:00 am						
Was a Watercourse Reached?  Yes No						If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. N/A						
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*:						REC	EIVED					
N/A							By Olivia Yu at 2:53 pm, Jan 12, 2018					
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Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*: Plumbing on Gun Barrel froze & broke open PVC pipe on water leg and drained in firewall containment and had about 10 bbls out of containment. Fluid was picked up with a Vac truck and there is a Skid Stear Front End Loader on location scrapping up soil.												
Describe Are Well pad as v	a Affected : vell as an ai	and Cleanup A ea 30ft x 10ft	Action Tak outside of	cen.*: f containment, cle	aning v	with a Vac tru	ck and Front End	Loader				
regulations a public health should their o	I operators or the envi- operations hament. In a	are required to comment. The ave failed to a ddition, NMC	o report ar acceptanc dequately OCD accep	nd/or file certain re ce of a C-141 repo investigate and re	elease i ort by th emedia	notifications a ne NMOCD n te contaminat	wknowledge and used perform correct parked as "Final Rigids of that pose a through the operator of a second contract of of a second	tive acti eport" d eat to gr	ons for rele oes not reli ound water	eases which a eve the oper , surface was	may endanger ator of liability ter, human health	
A. + Mi						OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION						
Signature: // Si						Approved by Environmental Specialist:						
Printed Name: Bonita J Harris												
Title: HSE/R	egulatory T	ech		Approval Date: Expiration Date:								
E-mail Address: bharris@foundationenergy.com						Conditions of Approval:  Attached						
Date: 1/	10/2018	]	Phone: 91	8-526-5595		see atta	ached directi	ve				

## Operator/Responsible Party,

The OCD has received the form C-141 you provided on \_1/11/2018\_ regarding an unauthorized release. The information contained on that form has been entered into our incident database and remediation case number \_1RP-4929\_\_ has been assigned. Please refer to this case number in all future correspondence.

It is the Division's obligation under both the Oil & Gas Act and Water Quality Act to provide for the protection of public health and the environment. Our regulations (19.15.29.11 NMAC) state the following,

The responsible person shall complete <u>division-approved corrective action</u> for releases that endanger public health or the environment. The responsible person shall address releases in accordance with a remediation plan submitted to and approved by the division or with an abatement plan submitted in accordance with 19.15.30 NMAC. [emphasis added]

Release characterization is the first phase of corrective action unless the release is ongoing or is of limited volume and all impacts can be immediately addressed. Proper and cost-effective remediation typically cannot occur without adequate characterization of the impacts of any release. Furthermore, the Division has the ability to impose reasonable conditions upon the efforts it oversees. As such, the Division is requiring a workplan for the characterization of impacts associated with this release be submitted to the OCD District \_1\_ office in \_\_Hobbs\_\_\_\_ on or before \_2/12/2018\_. If and when the release characterization workplan is approved, there will be an associated deadline for submittal of the resultant investigation report. Modest extensions of time to these deadlines may be granted, but only with acceptable justification.

The goals of a characterization effort are: 1) determination of the lateral and vertical extents along with the magnitude of soil contamination. 2) determine if groundwater or surface waters have been impacted. 3) If groundwater or surface waters have been impacted, what are the extents and magnitude of that impact. 4) The characterization of any other adverse impacts that may have occurred (examples: impacts on vegetation, impacts on wildlife, air quality, loss of use of property, etc.). To meet these goals as quickly as possible, the following items must, at a minimum, be addressed in the release characterization workplan and subsequent reporting:

- Horizontal delineation of soil impacts in each of the four cardinal compass directions. Adsorbed soil contamination must be characterized for the following constituents using the associated laboratory methods: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes by either Method 8260 or 8021, total petroleum hydrocarbons by Method 8015 extended range (GRO+DRO+MRO; C<sub>6</sub> thru C<sub>36</sub>), and for chloride by Method 300. This is not an exclusive list of potential contaminants. Analyzed parameters should be modified based on the nature of the released substance(s). Soil sampling must be both within the impacted area and beyond.
- Vertical delineation of soil impacts. Adsorbed soil contamination must be characterized for the following constituents using the associated laboratory methods: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes by either Method 8260 or 8021, total petroleum hydrocarbons by Method 8015 extended range (GRO+DRO+MRO; C<sub>6</sub> thru C<sub>36</sub>), and for chloride by Method 300. As above, this is not an exclusive list of potential contaminants and can be modified. Vertical characterization samples should be taken at depth intervals no greater than five feet apart. Lithologic description of encountered soils must also be provided. At least ten vertical feet of soils with contaminant concentrations at or below these values must be demonstrated as existing above the water table.
- Nominal detection limits for field and laboratory analyses must be provided.
- Composite sampling is not generally allowed.
- Field screening and assessment techniques are acceptable (headspace, titration, EC [include algorithm for validation purposes], EM, etc.), but the sampling and assay procedures must be clearly defined. Copies of field notes are highly desirable. A statistically significant set of split samples must be submitted for confirmatory laboratory analysis, including the laterally farthest and vertically deepest sets of soil samples. Make sure there are at least two soil samples submitted

for laboratory analysis from each borehole or test pit (highest observed contamination and deepest depth investigated). Copies of the actual laboratory results must be provided including chain of custody documentation.

- •Probable depth to shallowest protectable groundwater and lateral distance to nearest surface water. If there is an estimate of groundwater depth, the information used to arrive at that estimate must be provided. If there is a reasonable assumption that the depth to protectable water is 50 feet or less, the responsible party should anticipate the need for at least one groundwater monitoring well to be installed in the area of likely maximum contamination.
- If groundwater contamination is encountered, an additional investigation workplan may be required to determine the extents of that contamination. Groundwater and/or surface water samples, if any, must be analyzed by a competent laboratory for volatile organic hydrocarbons (typically Method 8260 full list), total dissolved solids, pH, major anions and cations including chloride and sulfate, dissolved iron, and dissolved manganese. The investigation workplan must provide the groundwater sampling method(s) and sample handling protocols. To the fullest extent possible, aqueous analyses must be undertaken using nominal method detection limits. As with the soil analyses, copies of the actual laboratory results must be provided including chain of custody documentation.
- Accurately scaled and well-drafted site maps must be provided providing the location of borings, test pits, monitoring wells, potentially impacted areas, and significant surface features including roads and site infrastructure that might limit either the release characterization or remedial efforts. Field sketches may be included in subsequent reporting, but should not be considered stand-alone documentation of the site's layout. Digital photographic documentation of the location and fieldwork is recommended, especially if unusual circumstances are encountered.

Nothing herein should be interpreted to preclude emergency response actions or to imply immediate remediation by removal cannot proceed as warranted. Nonetheless, characterization of impacts and confirmation of the effectiveness of remedial efforts must still be provided to the OCD before any release incident will be closed.

## Jim Griswold

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