



Volumetrics Inc.

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Company: OXY USA INC
Field/Location : NMSW
Station Name : CEDAR CANYON TO ENTERPRISE
Station Number : NA
Sample Date: 3/10/22 2:40 PM
Analysis Date: 3/17/22 8:30 PM
Instrument: INFICON
Calibration/Verification Date: 3/17/2022
Heat Trace used: YES

Work Order: 4000535215
Sampled by: OXY/JE
Sample Type : SPOT-CYLINDER
Sample Temperature (F): NA
Sample Pressure (PSIG): 1237
Flow rate (MCF/Day): NA
Ambient Temperature (F): 50
Sampling method: FILL & EMPTY
Cylinder Number: 27772

NATURAL GAS ANALYSIS: GPA 2261

Components	Un-Normalized Mol%	Normalized Mol%	GPM 14.650	GPM 14.730	GPM 15.025
Hydrogen Sulfide	0.0000	0.0000			
Nitrogen	1.4010	1.4329			
Methane	73.2835	74.9537			
Carbon Dioxide	0.1272	0.1301			
Ethane	12.0004	12.2739	3.277	3.295	3.361
Propane	6.1002	6.2392	1.716	1.726	1.760
Isobutane	0.8643	0.8840	0.289	0.290	0.296
N-butane	2.1629	2.2122	0.696	0.700	0.714
Isopentane	0.5139	0.5256	0.192	0.193	0.197
N-Pentane	0.5755	0.5886	0.213	0.214	0.218
Hexanes(C6's)	0.3556	0.3637	0.149	0.150	0.153
Heptanes (C7's)	0.2741	0.2804	0.129	0.130	0.132
Octanes (C8's)	0.1001	0.1024	0.052	0.053	0.054
Nonanes Plus (C9+)	0.0130	0.0133	0.007	0.008	0.008
Total	97.7718	100.0000			

Physical Properties (Calculated)

	14.650 psia	14.730 psia	15.025 psia
Total GPM Ethane+	6.721	6.758	6.893
Total GPM Iso-Pentane+	0.743	0.747	0.762
Compressibility (Z)	0.9959	0.9959	0.9958
Specific Gravity (Air=1) @ 60 °F	0.7713	0.7713	0.7714
Molecular Weight	22.257	22.257	22.257

Gross Heating Value

	14.650 psia	14.730 psia	15.025 psia
Dry, Real (BTU/Ft ³)	1318.1	1325.3	1352.0
Wet, Real (BTU/Ft ³)	1295.0	1302.1	1328.3
Dry, Ideal (BTU/Ft ³)	1312.7	1319.9	1346.3
Wet, Ideal (BTU/Ft ³)	1289.7	1296.8	1322.7

Temperature base 60 °F

Comment: FIELD H2S =0 PPM

Verified by

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Petroleum Chemist

Approved by

Deann Friend

Deann Friend
Laboratory Manager

UPSET VENT EVENT SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATIONS FORM**Facility:** Cedar Canyon 28-4 CTB**Date:** 12/26/2022**Duration of event:** 11 Hours 56 Minutes**MCF Vented:** 160**Start Time:** 01:57 AM**End Time:** 11:59 PM**Cause:** Venting > VRU > Malfunctions > Scrubber Drain Line**Method of Gas Measurement:** Estimated Vent Calculations**Comments:**

1. Reason why this event was beyond Operator's control:

The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and maintenance practices. In this case, VRU #1 malfunctioned several times due to operational issues with the drain line, which caused the unit to shut down on a high scrubber liquid level malfunction as a result of extreme weather conditions and temperatures, affecting the unit. Field personnel upon discovery of the VRU's malfunctioning, which caused unexpected venting to occur, then in turn, began making arrangements to drain the scrubber line throughout the day. This incident was completely out of OXY's control to prevent from happening yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible during this event by working quickly, safely and diligently.

2. Steps Taken to limit duration and magnitude of venting or flaring:

This facility is unmanned, except when Oxy production techs are gathering data daily or conducting daily walk-throughs to ensure that there are no equipment issues, circumstances and/or assist other personnel on-site for maintenance/operational purposes. It is OXY's policy to route all stranded sales gas to a flare, rather than vent, during an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency or malfunction, in order to minimize emissions as much as possible, as part of the overall process or steps to take to limit duration and magnitude of venting. When flaring is not possible, and venting occurs and/or is discovered, Oxy production technicians must assess whether the issue or circumstance is due to damage and repair is needed, or whether there are other reasons for its cause. The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and maintenance practices. In this case, VRU #1 malfunctioned several times due to operational issues with the drain line, which caused the unit to shut down on a high scrubber liquid level malfunction as a result of extreme weather conditions and temperatures, affecting the unit. Field personnel upon discovery of the VRU's malfunctioning, which caused unexpected venting to occur, then in turn, began making arrangements to manually drain the scrubber line throughout the day. This incident was completely out of OXY's control to prevent from happening yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible during this event by working quickly, safely and diligently.

3. Corrective Actions taken to eliminate the cause and reoccurrence of venting or flaring:

Oxy is limited in the corrective actions to eliminate this type of cause and potential reoccurrence of venting from vapor recovery units as notwithstanding proper VRU design and operation, various forms of mechanical, electrical or technical issues can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable and unexpected which can cause venting malfunctions to occur without warning or advance notice, even during extreme weather conditions and temperatures. Oxy continually strives to maintain and operate its facility equipment in a manner consistent with good practices for minimizing emissions and reducing the number of emission events. Oxy has a strong and positive equipment preventative maintenance program in place. The only actions that Oxy can take and handle that is within its control, is to continue with its equipment preventative maintenance program for all its facilities and continually work with its automation team to resolve equipment issues in a timely manner, should they occur suddenly and without warning.

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DEFINITIONS

For the sake of brevity and completeness, please allow for the following in all groups of questions and for the rest of this application: • this application's operator, hereinafter "this operator"; • venting and/or flaring, hereinafter "vent or flare"; • any notification or report(s) of the C-129 form family, hereinafter "any C-129 forms"; • the statements in (and/or attached to) this, hereinafter "the statements in this"; • and the past tense will be used in lieu of mixed past/present tense questions and statements.
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QUESTIONS

Prerequisites	
Any messages presented in this section, will prevent submission of this application. Please resolve these issues before continuing with the rest of the questions.	
Incident Well	Unavailable.
Incident Facility	[fAB1901048503] CEDAR CANYON 28-4 CTB

Determination of Reporting Requirements	
Answer all questions that apply. The Reason(s) statements are calculated based on your answers and may provide additional guidance.	
Was this vent or flare caused by an emergency or malfunction	Yes
Did this vent or flare last eight hours or more cumulatively within any 24-hour period from a single event	Yes
Is this considered a submission for a vent or flare event	Yes, minor venting and/or flaring of natural gas.
An operator shall file a form C-141 instead of a form C-129 for a release that, includes liquid during venting and/or flaring that is or may be a major or minor release under 19.15.29.7 NMAC.	
Was there at least 50 MCF of natural gas vented and/or flared during this event	Yes
Did this vent or flare result in the release of ANY liquids (not fully and/or completely flared) that reached (or has a chance of reaching) the ground, a surface, a watercourse, or otherwise, with reasonable probability, endanger public health, the environment or fresh water	No
Was the vent or flare within an incorporated municipal boundary or within 300 feet from an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church in existence	No

Equipment Involved	
Primary Equipment Involved	Other (Specify)
Additional details for Equipment Involved. Please specify	Vented > VRU > Malfunctions > Scrubber Drain Line

Representative Compositional Analysis of Vented or Flared Natural Gas	
Please provide the mole percent for the percentage questions in this group.	
Methane (CH4) percentage	75
Nitrogen (N2) percentage, if greater than one percent	1
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM, rounded up	0
Carbon Dioxide (CO2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
Oxygen (O2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
If you are venting and/or flaring because of Pipeline Specification, please provide the required specifications for each gas.	
Methane (CH4) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Nitrogen (N2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM quality requirement	Not answered.
Carbon Dioxide (CO2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
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Date(s) and Time(s)	
Date vent or flare was discovered or commenced	12/26/2022
Time vent or flare was discovered or commenced	01:57 AM
Time vent or flare was terminated	11:59 PM
Cumulative hours during this event	12

Measured or Estimated Volume of Vented or Flared Natural Gas	
Natural Gas Vented (Mcf) Details	Cause: Other Other (Specify) Natural Gas Vented Released: 160 Mcf Recovered: 0 Mcf Lost: 160 Mcf.
Natural Gas Flared (Mcf) Details	Not answered.
Other Released Details	Not answered.
Additional details for Measured or Estimated Volume(s). Please specify	Not answered.
Is this a gas only submission (i.e. only significant Mcf values reported)	Yes, according to supplied volumes this appears to be a "gas only" report.

Venting or Flaring Resulting from Downstream Activity	
Was this vent or flare a result of downstream activity	No
Was notification of downstream activity received by this operator	Not answered.
Downstream OGRID that should have notified this operator	Not answered.
Date notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	Not answered.
Time notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	Not answered.

Steps and Actions to Prevent Waste	
For this event, this operator could not have reasonably anticipated the current event and it was beyond this operator's control.	True
Please explain reason for why this event was beyond this operator's control	The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and maintenance practices. In this case, VRU #1 malfunctioned several times due to operational issues with the drain line, which caused the unit to shut down on a high scrubber liquid level malfunction as a result of extreme weather conditions and temperatures, affecting the unit. Field personnel upon discovery of the VRU's malfunctioning, which caused unexpected venting to occur, then in turn, began making arrangements to drain the scrubber line throughout the day. This incident was completely out of OXY's control to prevent from happening yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible during this event by working quickly, safely and diligently.
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☒	I acknowledge that I am authorized to submit a <i>Venting and/or Flaring</i> (C-129) report on behalf of this operator and understand that this report can be a complete C-129 submission per 19.15.27.8 and 19.15.28.8 NMAC.
☒	I acknowledge that upon submitting this application, I will be creating a new incident file (assigned to this operator) to track any C-129 forms, pursuant to 19.15.27.7 and 19.15.28.8 NMAC and understand that this submission meets the notification requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection G and F respectively.
☒	I hereby certify the statements in this report are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and acknowledge that any false statement may be subject to civil and criminal penalties under the Oil and Gas Act.
☒	I acknowledge that the acceptance of any C-129 forms by the OCD does not relieve this operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate, report, and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment.
☒	I acknowledge that OCD acceptance of any C-129 forms does not relieve this operator of responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
marialuna2	If the information provided in this report requires an amendment, submit a [C-129] Amend Venting and/or Flaring Incident (C-129A), utilizing your incident number from this event.	1/30/2023