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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural
Resources Department

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

Form C-141
Revised August 24, 2018
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

Incident ID	NAPP2324344852
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

Release Notification

Responsible Party

Responsible Party - Richardson Operating Company	OGRID 19219
Contact Name -- Thomas Lucht	Contact Telephone 303-830-8000
Contact email -- operations@richardsonoil.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD) nAPP2324344852
Contact mailing address -- 4601 DTC Blvd, Suite 725 Denver CO, 80219	

Location of Release Source

Latitude 36.664945 Longitude -107.663120
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name - Federal 24-15 #1	Site Type - Gas well
Date Release Discovered 8/28/2023	API# (if applicable) 30-045-28336

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
H	15	28N	8W	San Juan

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private (Name: _____)

Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

<input type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Condensate	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas	Volume Released (Mcf)	Volume Recovered (Mcf)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

Cause of Release

The Federal 24-15 #1 gas well has a historic pit that has become exposed from erosion from a nearby wash area. The pit is now exposed and needs be remediated in order to stop further erosion as well as further exposure of the pit contents to the wash. No release has been recovered and any release is suggested to be Bentonite Drilling Mud from when the well was initially drilled.

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release? This release is considered a major release due to its proximity to the wash area where the erosion is taking place.
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)? The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission reached out to Richardson.	

Initial Response

The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury

<input type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped.	
<input type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.	
<input type="checkbox"/> All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.	
If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why: The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission reached out to Richardson to provide details of the release. Currently Richardson is putting together a remediation plan to stop the release of any pit contents into the wash area. There are no free liquids present or recoverable from the release. Remediation is needed to prevent any historic contents from being further washed out and down the drainage.	
Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.	
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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.	
Printed Name: <u>Thomas Lucht</u>	Title: <u>Operations</u>
Signature: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>8/31/23</u>
email: <u>operations@richardsonoil.com</u>	Telephone: <u>303-830-8000</u>
<u>OCD Only</u>	
Received by: <u>Shelly Wells</u>	Date: <u>8/31/2023</u>

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CONDITIONS

Action 261048

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Operator: RICHARDSON OPERATING CO 4601 DTC Boulevard, Suite 725 Denver, CO 80237	OGRID: 19219
	Action Number: 261048
	Action Type: [C-141] Release Corrective Action (C-141)

CONDITIONS

Created By	Condition	Condition Date
scwells	None	8/31/2023