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Received by: Robert Hamlet Date: 10/26/2023

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Closure Approved by: Robert Hamlet Date: 10/26/2023

Printed Name: Robert Hamlet Title: Environmental Specialist - Advanced



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

RE: Closure Request Letter  
WPX Energy Permian, LLC  
North Brushy Draw Federal 35 #009H  
Incident Number NRM2020657799  
Eddy County, New Mexico

To Whom It May Concern:

Etech Environmental & Safety Solutions, Inc. (Etech), on behalf of WPX Energy Permian, LLC (WPX), presents the following Closure Request Letter (CRL) requested by New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) to document that No Further Action is warranted for an inadvertent release of produced water at the North Brushy Draw Federal 35 #009H (Site), based recent remediation and confirmation laboratory analytical results from soil sampling events at the Site. It was determined by the NMOCD and confirmed by WPX that there is no residual impacted soil to defer for Incident Number NRM2020657799.

WPX believes the timely initial response and other completed remedial actions have mitigated impacts at the Site and the requirements set forth in New Mexico Administrative Code guidelines and be protective of human health, the environment and groundwater.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Joseph Hernandez at (281) 702-2329 or [joseph@etechenv.com](mailto:joseph@etechenv.com) or Anna Byers at (575) 200-6754 or [anna@etechenv.com](mailto:anna@etechenv.com). Documentation of communication with NMOCD regarding Incident Number NRM2020657799 is presented as **Attachment A**.

Sincerely,

Etech Environmental and Safety Solutions, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Anna Byers".

Anna Byers  
Senior Geologist

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph S. Hernandez".

Joseph S. Hernandez  
Senior Managing Geologist

cc: Jim Raley, WPX  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division

**Appendices:**

**Appendix A:** Email Correspondence

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# APPENDIX A

## Email Correspondence

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**From:** [OCDOnline@state.nm.us](mailto:OCDOnline@state.nm.us) <[OCDOnline@state.nm.us](mailto:OCDOnline@state.nm.us)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 23, 2023 11:37 AM

**To:** Raley, Jim <[Jim.Raley@dvn.com](mailto:Jim.Raley@dvn.com)>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has rejected the application, Application ID: 179326

To whom it may concern (c/o James Raley for WPX Energy Permian, LLC),

The OCD has rejected the submitted *Application for administrative approval of a release notification and corrective action* (C-141), for incident ID (n#) nRM2020657799, for the following reasons:

- **The Deferral request is denied. Incident #NRM2020657799 has been included in the Deferral Request Report that includes Incident #NRM2014147987. It appears there is nothing to defer on Incident #NRM2020657799. If you are asking for closure on this particular release, please attach a signed/dated C-141 Page 6 Closure page in your resubmittal.**

The rejected C-141 can be found in the OCD Online: Permitting - Action Status, under the Application ID: 179326.

Please review and make the required correction(s) prior to resubmitting.

If you have any questions why this application was rejected or believe it was rejected in error, please contact me prior to submitting an additional C-141.

Thank you,  
Robert Hamlet  
575-748-1283  
[Robert.Hamlet@emnrd.nm.gov](mailto:Robert.Hamlet@emnrd.nm.gov)

**New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department**  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
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Form C-141  
Revised August 24, 2018  
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

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## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party: WPX Energy Permian, LLC.	OGRID: 246289
Contact Name: Jim Raley	Contact Telephone: 575-689-7597
Contact email: james.ralej@wpxenergy.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD)
Contact mailing address: 5315 Buena Vista Dr., Carlsbad, NM 88220	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.09270 \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude -103.94731 \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name: NORTH BRUSHY DRAW FEDERAL 35 #009H	Site Type: Production Facility
Date Release Discovered: 7/13/2020	API# (if applicable): 30-015-42220

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
A	35	25S	29E	Eddy

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private

### 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls) 8	Volume Recovered (bbls) 0
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

Cause of Release: Produced water transfer line developed leak, allowing approx. 8 bbls of produced water to impact soils along edge of pad.


$$bbl\ estimate = \frac{saturated\ soil\ volume\ (ft^3)}{4.21(\frac{ft^3}{bbl\ equivalent})} * estimated\ soil\ porosity(\%) + recovered\ fluids\ (bbl)$$

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release?
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?	

### Initial Response

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

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.	
<input checked="" 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:	
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.	
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Printed Name: Jim Raley	Title: Environmental Specialist
Signature: 	Date: 7/22/2020
email: <a href="mailto:james.raley@wpenergy.com">james.raley@wpenergy.com</a>	Telephone: 575-689-7597
<b><u>OCD Only</u></b>	
Received by: <u>Ramona Marcus</u>	Date: <u>7/24/2020</u>

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## Site Assessment/Characterization

*This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.*

What is the shallowest depth to groundwater beneath the area affected by the release?	>100 (ft bgs)
Did this release impact groundwater or surface water?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse or any other significant watercourse?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a wetland?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying a subsurface mine?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying an unstable area such as karst geology?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within a 100-year floodplain?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Did the release impact areas <b>not</b> on an exploration, development, production, or storage site?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Attach a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) demonstrating the lateral and vertical extents of soil contamination associated with the release have been determined. Refer to 19.15.29.11 NMAC for specifics.

### **Characterization Report Checklist:** *Each of the following items must be included in the report.*

- ☒ Scaled site map showing impacted area, surface features, subsurface features, delineation points, and monitoring wells.
- ☒ Field data
- ☒ Data table of soil contaminant concentration data
- ☒ Depth to water determination
- ☒ Determination of water sources and significant watercourses within ½-mile of the lateral extents of the release
- ☒ Boring or excavation logs
- ☒ Photographs including date and GIS information
- ☒ Topographic/Aerial maps
- ☒ Laboratory data including chain of custody

If the site characterization report does not include completed efforts at remediation of the release, the report must include a proposed remediation plan. That plan must include the estimated volume of material to be remediated, the proposed remediation technique, proposed sampling plan and methods, anticipated timelines for beginning and completing the remediation. The closure criteria for a release are contained in Table 1 of 19.15.29.12 NMAC, however, use of the table is modified by site- and release-specific parameters.

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Action 222269

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Operator: WPX Energy Permian, LLC Devon Energy - Regulatory Oklahoma City, OK 73102	OGRID: 246289
	Action Number: 222269
	Action Type: [C-141] Release Corrective Action (C-141)

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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
rhamlet	We have received your closure report and final C-141 for Incident #NRM2020657799 NORTH BRUSHY DRAW FEDERAL 35 #009H, thank you. This closure is approved.	10/26/2023