

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-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC

Release Notification and Corrective Action

nHMP1407332688 OPERATOR ☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company: Linn Operating 769324	Contact: Brian Wall
Address: 2130 W. Bender Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.: 575-738-1739
Facility Name: State AZ Battery Flare(closest well State AZ)	Facility Type: Battery

Surface Owner: State	Mineral Owner:	API No.: (closest well) 3001505163
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
M	16	17S	31E	990	South	990	West	Eddy

Latitude: 32.8300337113083 Longitude: -103.880113741649

NATURE OF RELEASE

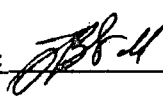
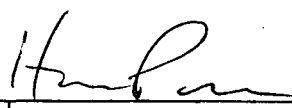
Type of Release: Oil	Volume of Release: 10 gal	Volume Recovered: 0
Source of Release: Valve Heater	Date and Hour of Occurrence: 01/26/2014	Date and Hour of Discovery: 01/26/2014 0233
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Mike Burton- BLM Mike Bratcher-NM OCD	
By Whom? Brian Wall	Date and Hour 01/27/2014 0900	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*:

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*: At 2.33 am.I got a call from Larry Kincaid,the night rider.He told me there was a fire at the flare at the State AZ Battery.I had him turn well 606 off. I was enroute and called the fire department. Larry called me back and informed me the fire had burnt out.The fire was contained inside the firewall at flare. I called the fire department and cancelled the trucks but they came out anyway and looked at the scene and left.I arrived on scene about 3.40 am.Larry was panicking a little so i got him calmed down ,got his name, and released him from site.Upon investigating the the incident, I discovered that the production kimray had malfunctioned and dumped all the gas to the flare causing about 10 gallons of oil to go to the flare,causing the fire on the ground.All fluids were contained inside the firewall. I called a crew to change the kimray out. then i put well 606 back into operation. I also called Joe hernandez and gave him an update of the situation.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\* : Delineate spill site and turn in PLA to BLM &OCD. Remove contaminated soils and haul to approved site. Return clean soils to natural surface.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD 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 NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD 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.

Signature: 	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: Brian Wall	Approved by District Supervisor: 	
Title: Construction Foreman II	Approval Date: 3-14-14	Expiration Date: NA
E-mail Address: bwall@linenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 01/27/2014 Phone: 806-367-0645	Remediation per OCD Rule & Guidelines, & like approval by BLM. SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN:	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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4-14-14

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Rebecca Pons <rpons@diversifiedfsi.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 11, 2014 2:14 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Natalie Gladden  
**Subject:** State AZ C-141  
**Attachments:** C-141 State AZ Battery Flare 1-26-14.pdf

Hi,

In response to your most recent email; I am attaching the C-141 for this site. I will not the file as a "reportable" incident.

Thanks

Rebecca

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** McCracken, Theresa <TMcCracken@linnenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2014 12:27 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; mburton@blm.gov  
**Cc:** Callahan, Terry; Moreno, Laura; Butters, Thomas; Gonzales, EL; Wall, Fred; Hickert, Aaron; smcgree@diversifiedfsi.com; aruth@diversifiedfsi.com; mpatterson@diversifiedfsi.com  
**Subject:** Linn- Skelly #85 1-24-14 / State AZ Battery Flare 1-26-14  
**Attachments:** Skelly 85 Inj 1-24-14.pdf; State AZ Battery Flare 1-26-14.pdf

Please find attached 2 initial C-141's for the above referenced locations.

Thank you,



*Theresa McCracken*

Field Administrator

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