

# NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

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

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Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

Submit **RECEIVED** Appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

## Release Notification and Corrective Action

**NAB10132535A1** **209324**

Name of Company: Linn Operating	OPERATOR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Report
Address: 2130 W Bender, Hobbs, NM 88240	Contact: EL Gonzales		
Facility Name: Skelly Unit 276	Telephone No.: 575-738-1739		
	Facility Type: Oil Producer		
Surface Owner: Federal	Mineral Owner	API No: 30-015-29225	

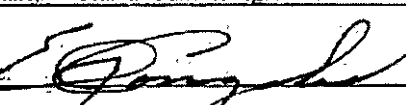
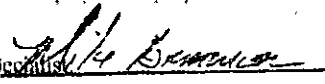
## LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
D	27	17S	31E	687	North	1183	West	Eddy

Latitude 32.8109503533785 Longitude -103.862221362993

## NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release Spill: Produced Water / Oil	Volume of Release: 20 bbls / 20 bbls	Volume Recovered: 0 bbls / 10 bbls
Source of Release: 3" Polyline	Date and Hour of Occurrence: 05/05/2014	Date and Hour of Discovery: 05/05/2014 0730
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? M. Burton - BLM	
By Whom? Brian Wall	Date and Hour: 05/06/2014 0640	
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.* Flow line from well head to battery broke, spilling 40 bbls of fluid, cause of accident was age/wear on the line, 10 barrels of oil was picked up by vacuum truck, 30 barrels lost.		
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* Leak ran west 1.5"x30' on lease road.		
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: 		<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: EL Gonzales		Approved by Environment Specialist: 	
Title: Production Supervisor		Approval Date: 5/10/16	Expiration Date: N/A
E-mail Address: elgonzales@linnenergy.com		Conditions of Approval: Remediation per O.C.D. Rules & Guidelines <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date:	Phone: 575-504-8002	<b>SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO</b>	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

LATER THAN: 10/12/16

2RP. 3688

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Laura Flores <lflores@diversifiedfsi.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 10, 2016 8:55 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Gonzales, EL; Michael Burton; jamos@blm.gov; Tucker, Shelly; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**Subject:** RE: Linn - Skelly Unit #276 Work Plan  
**Attachments:** Revised Initial C-141.pdf

Good morning, Mr. Bratcher.

Attached is the revised Initial C-141 for this site.

Thank you,  
Laura Flores

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**From:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD [mailto:mike.bratcher@state.nm.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 05, 2016 8:22 AM  
**To:** Gonzales, EL <ELgonzales@lennenergy.com>; Amos, James (jamos@blm.gov) <jamos@blm.gov>; Tucker, Shelly <stucker@blm.gov>  
**Cc:** Michael Burton <mburton@diversifiedfsi.com>; Laura Flores <lflores@diversifiedfsi.com>; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD <Heather.Patterson@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** RE: Linn - Skelly Unit #276 Work Plan

RE: Linn Operating \* Skelly Ut 276 \* 30-015-29225 \* DOR: 5/5/2014

There is no RP number issued for this release at this time, and OCD has no record of this release having been reported. The C-141 included in this submittal lists release volume as 20 gallons oil & 20 gallons PW, with 10 gallons oil recovered. The body of the remediation proposal lists the release volume as 20 barrels oil & 20 barrels PW, with 10 barrels PW recovered & no oil recovered. Based on areal and vertical extent of impact listed in the remediation proposal, OCD believes the release is likely more than what is reported on the C-141. Please submit a corrected C-141 immediately. In addition, this proposal is **not approved** at this time due to the following: inconsistency in the reported release volumes, incomplete delineation in the area listed as SP1, and analytical data presented was obtained over 1.5 years ago.

OCD does have record of an open release associated with this API number. It was assigned 2RP-1724 with a release date listed as 6/17/2013.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

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Artesia, NM 88210  
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**From:** Gonzales, EL [<mailto:ELgonzales@linnenergy.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2016 9:02 AM  
**To:** Amos, James ([amos@blm.gov](mailto:amos@blm.gov)); Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Michael Burton ([mburton@diversifiedfsi.com](mailto:mburton@diversifiedfsi.com))  
**Subject:** FW: Linn - Skelly Unit #276 Work Plan

Morning, Guys: Here is a work plan for your review and approval----- Thanks, E L

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**From:** Laura Flores [<mailto:lflores@diversifiedfsi.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2016 8:43 AM  
**To:** Gonzales, EL  
**Cc:** Michael Burton  
**Subject:** Linn - Skelly Unit #276 Work Plan

Good morning, Mr. Gonzales.

Attached is the work plan for the Skelly Unit #276.

Pending your review and approval, we will get it submitted to BLM and NMOCD.

Thank you,  
Laura

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