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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate  
District Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
side of form

### Release Notification and Corrective Action

#### OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

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| Name of Company: El Paso Natural Gas Company          | Contact: Doug Stavinoha                           |
| Address: 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002  | Telephone No.: (713) 420-5150                     |
| Facility Name: Jal #4 Groundwater Remediation Project | Facility Type: Pump and Inject Remediation System |

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| Surface Owner: State of New Mexico | Mineral Owner: N/A | Lease No.: N/A |
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#### LOCATION OF RELEASE

API # 30-025-26426-00-00

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| Unit Letter<br>SE/4 NW/4<br>SW/4<br>L | Section<br>32 | Township<br>23S | Range<br>37E | Feet from the<br>1,903 | North/South Line<br>South | Feet from the<br>682 | East/West Line<br>West | County<br>Lea |
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Latitude: 32° 15' 31" N Longitude: 103° 11' 28" W

#### NATURE OF RELEASE

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| Type of Release: Water high in chlorides.  | Volume of Release:<br>Approximately 35 barrels     | Volume Recovered: Approximately 25 barrels     |
| Source of Release: Corroded filter housing on groundwater remediation system.  | Date and Hour of Occurrence:<br>10/27/08 @ 1200 hr | Date and Hour of Discovery: 10/27/08 @ 1500 hr |
| Was Immediate Notice Given?<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required | If YES, To Whom?<br>Larry Johnson                  |  |
| By Whom? Bruce E. McKenzie, The Benham Companies, LLC  | Date and Hour: 10/28/08 @ 1647 hr                  |  |
| Was a Watercourse Reached?<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  | If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.          |  |

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

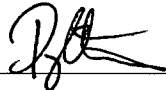
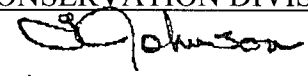
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

Corroded filter housing on groundwater remediation system leaked, releasing water that was high in chlorides. Remedial actions taken at time of discovery included shutting the groundwater remediation system down, calling a vac-truck to vacuum up approximately 25 barrels of fluid that had collected in a low spot of the access road, and replacing the corroded filter housing.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

Area affected by release was a low spot of a caliche access road, and was approximately 100 feet long and 40 feet wide. Soil samples will be collected from the affected area and analyzed for chlorides. Remedial action will depend upon the results of these soil samples.

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.

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| Signature:  | OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  |                                   |
| Printed Name: Doug Stavinoha   | Approved by District Supervisor: <br>ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER |                                   |
| Title: Project Manager   | Approval Date: 12.12.08  | Expiration Date: 2.12.09          |
| E-mail Address: doug.stavinoha@elpaso.com  | Conditions of Approval:  | Attached <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Date: 11/5/08 Phone: (713) 420-5150  | Submit FINAL C-141 w/ documentation I RP# 2026   |                                   |

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

INCLUDE THIS TRACKING #  
ON ALL FUTURE CORRESPONDANCE  
PERTAINING TO THIS INCIDENT