

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
811 S. First St., 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 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	NRM2007857235
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

Release Notification

Responsible Party

Responsible Party: Cimarex Energy Co.	OGRID: 215099
Contact Name: Gloria Garza	Contact Telephone: 432.571.7800
Contact email: ggarza@cimarex.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD)
Contact mailing address: 600 N Marienfeld Ste. 600 Midland, TX 79701	

Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.16976 _____ Longitude -104.25191 _____
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name: Freedom 36 State SWD 1	Site Type: Tank Battery
Date Release Discovered: 3.10.2020	API# (if applicable) 30-015-44489

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
M	36	24S	26E	Eddy

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls) 323 bbls	Volume Recovered (bbls) 323 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 type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

Cause of Release: Mechanical Failure

Construction (electric) department was moving a transformer and had the facility down when the water tanks reached high level and only two of the three inlet valves shut in causing the water tanks to run over for 20 minutes. Basic Energy was called out to pick up spill out of the containment. We also called out an Automation Tech to investigate why the third valve did not close and after investigation, it was found that the incident was caused due to a glitch in our automation programming system and this has been corrected. We cleaned tuning forks on the safety systems in all water tanks and our automation tech tested the inlet valves and all valves are working correctly. The containment will be cleaned.

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<p>Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release?</p> <p>The amount of the release is over 25 barrels.</p>
<p>If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?</p> <p>By Gloria Garza To Mike Bratcher, Robert Hamlet, Victoria Venegas and Jim Griswold By email</p>	

Initial Response

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

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.</p>	
<p>If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why:</p>	
<p>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.</p>	
<p>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.</p>	
<p>Printed Name: Gloria Garza</p> <p>Signature: <u><i>Gloria Garza</i></u></p> <p>email: ggarza@cimarex.com</p>	<p>Title: ESH Specialist</p> <p>Date: 3/13/20</p> <p>Telephone: 432.234.3204</p>
<p><u>OCD Only</u></p> <p>Received by: <u>Ramona Marcus</u> Date: <u>3/18/2020</u></p>	