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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	NAB1908057694
District RP	2RP-5318
Facility ID	
Application ID	pAB1908057424

## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party Vanguard Operating, LLC	OGRID 258350
Contact Name Brent White	Contact Telephone 505-918-0669
Contact email bwhite@vnrenergy.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD) NAB1908057694
Contact mailing address 4001 Penbrook Suite 201 Odessa, TX 79762	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.7874336 Longitude -104.1945724  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name Aspen 32 State Com #1 Battery	Site Type Tank Battery
Date Release Discovered 3-13-2019	API# 30-015-34148

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
J	32	17S	28E	Eddy

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private (Name: State Mineral \_\_\_\_\_)

### Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls) 60	Volume Recovered (bbls) 55
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls) 10	Volume Recovered (bbls) 10
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	X 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)

The lease operator found a breaker was turned off causing the pumps to stop and alarms to fail. The tanks ran over inside of a lined containment. Extremely high winds did blow a mist of oil over an area east of the battery measuring 150 yards by 75 yards.

A vacuum truck removed 55 bbls of oil and 10 bbls of produced water from the lined containment. Micro-blaze was applied to the soil.

The battery will be cleaned and the liner inspected. The breaker was turned back on and the system was put back on line.

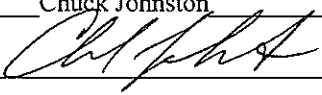

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?  X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release? Over 25 bbls.
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)? Brent White (Vanguard) notified Mike Bratcher by phone (voice mail) 3-14-2019 and then by phone 3-15-2019.	

### 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.	
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.	
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Signature: 	Date: <u>3-20-2019</u>
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<b><u>OCD Only</u></b>	
Received by: 	Date: <u>3/21/2019</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 discover date.*

What is the shallowest depth to groundwater beneath the area affected by the release?	<u>&gt;100'</u> (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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Did the release impact areas <b>not</b> on an exploration, development, production or storage site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input 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
- ☒ Determination of water sources and significant watercourses within 1/2-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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## Remediation Plan

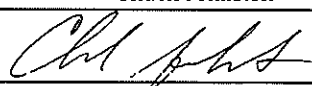
**Remediation Plan Checklist:** *Each of the following items must be included in the report.*

- ☒ Detailed description of proposed remediation technique
- ☐ Scaled sitemap with GPS coordinates showing delineation points (GPS Attached)
- ☒ Estimated volume of material to be remediated
- ☒ Closure criteria is to Table 1 specifications subject to 19.15.29.12(C)(4) NMAC
- ☒ Proposed schedule for remediation (note if remediation plan timeline is more than 90 days OCD approval is required)


**Deferral Requests Only:** *Each of the following items must be confirmed as part of any request for deferral of remediation.*

- ☐ Contamination must be in areas immediately under or around production equipment where remediation could cause a major facility deconstruction.
- ☐ Extents of contamination must be fully delineated.
- ☐ Contamination does not cause an imminent risk to human health, the environment, or groundwater

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☒ Approved ☐ Approved with Attached Conditions of Approval ☐ Denied ☐ Deferral Approved  
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