

Cimarex Energy Co.
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REJECTED

Scaled site map of release area needs to be provided and release area should be fully delineated to adequately review alternate composite and grab sample plan. – CE



July 16, 2020

Oil Conservation Division
District 2
811 S. First St.
Artesia, NM 88210

Re: Variance Request – Irwin 23-14 Fed 1H-4H (nRM2017854640)

Cimarex Energy is requesting a deviation on the sampling standard of 200 square feet. We are requesting permission to sample a 400 square foot area to be more representative of the area where the spill occurred. Initial C-141 is included.

Please call if you have any questions.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "gloria garza".

Gloria Garza
ESH Specialist

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

Form C-141
Revised August 24, 2018
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

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

Incident ID	
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

Release Notification

Responsible Party

Responsible Party Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado	OGRID 162683
Contact Name Laci Luig	Contact Telephone (432) 571-7800
Contact email lluig@cimarex.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD)
Contact mailing address 600 N. Marienfeld Street, Ste. 600 Midland, TX 79701	

Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.647348 Longitude -103.939782
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name Irwin 23-14 Federal Battery	Site Type Battery
Date Release Discovered 6/20/2020	API# (if applicable)

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
G	23	19S	30E	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) 112 bbls	Volume Recovered (bbls) 30 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 The seal on a transfer pump went out leading to 112 bbls produced water being spilled. The containment overfilled causing the remainder to spill out onto the well pad. A vacuum truck recovered 30 bbls. We will clean containment and delineate the impacted soil to determine pathway forward.

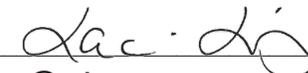
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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release? The amount of release is more than 25 barrels.
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)? From: Tell Montoya To: Jim Griswold, EMNRD OCD District 1 Spills, BLM NM CFO Spill By: Email	

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.
Printed Name: <u>Laci Luig</u> Title: <u>Engineer Tech.</u> Signature: <u></u> Date: <u>6/22/2020</u> email: <u>lluig@cimarex.com</u> Telephone: <u>(432) 571-7810</u>
<p><u>OCD Only</u></p> Received by: _____ Date: _____