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API No. 30-025-41024

## **Release Notification and Corrective Action**

	OPERATOR	Initial Report	Final Report
Name of Company Devon Energy Production Company	Contact Matt Nettles, Production	on Foreman	
Address 6488 Seven Rivers Hwy Artesia, NM 88210	Telephone No. 575-513-5767		
Facility Name Bell Lake 19 State 1H	Facility Type Oil		

## LOCATION OF RELEASE

Mineral Owner State

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County	
М	19	24S	33E	200'	FSL	700'	FWL	Lea	

Latitude 32.19676 Longitude -103.61789 NAD83

## NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release		Volume of Release		covered		
Produced Water	12.3bbls		Obbls			
Source of Release		r of Occurrence		our of Discovery		
Water dump line		017 @ 10:07 AM	October 22	, 2017 @ 10:07 AM		
Was Immediate Notice Given?	If YES, To W					
🛛 Yes 🗌 No 🗌 Not Required	Mike Bratcher	r, OCD				
By Whom?	Date and Hou					
Chris West. Asst. Production Foreman		017 @ 8:51 AM				
Was a Watercourse Reached?	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.					
🗌 Yes 🖾 No	N/A					
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*	-	RECEIVED				
N/A						
		By Olivia Yu	at 9:01	<i>am, Nov 15, 2017</i>		
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*		-				
The water dump line developed a pin hole on the bottom of the pipe going	g to the water tan	ks. The wells produce	cing to the bat	tery were shut in to stop any		
further release. Repairs have been made and the line is back in service.						
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*						
Approximately 12.3bbls produced water was released on location in appr	oximately a 60'x	23' area. All fluid st	ayed on locati	on. Obbls were recovered. A		
remediation contractor will be contacted to assist with the delineation and remediation efforts.						
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to t						
regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release r						
public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the						
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 of	loes not relieve th	he operator of respon	sibility for cor	npliance with any other		
federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.						
		OIL CONSERV	VATION I	DIVISION		
Signature: Sheila Fisher			ant			
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Printed Name: Sheila Fisher	Approved by En	vironmental Speciali	st:			
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Title: Field Admin Support	Approval Date:	11/15/2017	Expiration D	ata:		
Title: Field Admin Support	Approval Date:		Expiration D	atc.		
E-mail Address: Sheila.Fisher@dvn.com	Conditions of A	nnroval.		/		
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Date: 10/23/17 Phone: 575.748.1829	Isee attache	ed directive				
Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary	<u> </u>					

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Operator/Responsible Party,

The OCD has received the form C-141 you provided on \_11/3/2017\_ regarding an unauthorized release. The information contained on that form has been entered into our incident database and remediation case number \_1RP-4864\_ has been assigned. Please refer to this case number in all future correspondence.

It is the Division's obligation under both the Oil & Gas Act and Water Quality Act to provide for the protection of public health and the environment. Our regulations (19.15.29.11 NMAC) state the following,

The responsible person shall complete <u>division-approved corrective action</u> for releases that endanger public health or the environment. The responsible person shall address releases in accordance with a remediation plan submitted to and approved by the division or with an abatement plan submitted in accordance with 19.15.30 NMAC. [emphasis added]

Release characterization is the first phase of corrective action unless the release is ongoing or is of limited volume and all impacts can be immediately addressed. Proper and cost-effective remediation typically cannot occur without adequate characterization of the impacts of any release. Furthermore, the Division has the ability to impose reasonable conditions upon the efforts it oversees. As such, the Division is requiring a workplan for the characterization of impacts associated with this release be submitted to the OCD District \_1\_ office in \_\_Hobbs\_\_\_\_ on or before \_12/15/2017\_. If and when the release characterization workplan is approved, there will be an associated deadline for submittal of the resultant investigation report. Modest extensions of time to these deadlines may be granted, but only with acceptable justification.

The goals of a characterization effort are: 1) determination of the lateral and vertical extents along with the magnitude of soil contamination. 2) determine if groundwater or surface waters have been impacted. 3) If groundwater or surface waters have been impacted, what are the extents and magnitude of that impact. 4) The characterization of any other adverse impacts that may have occurred (examples: impacts on vegetation, impacts on wildlife, air quality, loss of use of property, etc.). To meet these goals as quickly as possible, the following items must, at a minimum, be addressed in the release characterization workplan and subsequent reporting:

• Horizontal delineation of soil impacts in each of the four cardinal compass directions. Adsorbed soil contamination must be characterized for the following constituents using the associated laboratory methods: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes by either Method 8260 or 8021, total petroleum hydrocarbons by Method 8015 extended range (GRO+DRO+MRO; C<sub>6</sub> thru C<sub>36</sub>), and for chloride by Method 300. This is not an exclusive list of potential contaminants. Analyzed parameters should be modified based on the nature of the released substance(s). Soil sampling must be both within the impacted area and beyond.

• Vertical delineation of soil impacts. Adsorbed soil contamination must be characterized for the following constituents using the associated laboratory methods: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes by either Method 8260 or 8021, total petroleum hydrocarbons by Method 8015 extended range (GRO+DRO+MRO; C<sub>6</sub> thru C<sub>36</sub>), and for chloride by Method 300. As above, this is not an exclusive list of potential contaminants and can be modified. Vertical characterization samples should be taken at depth intervals no greater than five feet apart. Lithologic description of encountered soils must also be provided. At least ten vertical feet of soils with contaminant concentrations at or below these values must be demonstrated as existing above the water table.

• Nominal detection limits for field and laboratory analyses must be provided.

• Composite sampling is not generally allowed.

• Field screening and assessment techniques are acceptable (headspace, titration, EC [include algorithm for validation purposes], EM, etc.), but the sampling and assay procedures must be clearly defined. Copies of field notes are highly desirable. A statistically significant set of split samples must be submitted for confirmatory laboratory analysis, including the laterally farthest and vertically deepest sets of soil samples. Make sure there are at least two soil samples submitted

for laboratory analysis from each borehole or test pit (highest observed contamination and deepest depth investigated). Copies of the actual laboratory results must be provided including chain of custody documentation.

•Probable depth to shallowest protectable groundwater and lateral distance to nearest surface water. If there is an estimate of groundwater depth, the information used to arrive at that estimate must be provided. If there is a reasonable assumption that the depth to protectable water is 50 feet or less, the responsible party should anticipate the need for at least one groundwater monitoring well to be installed in the area of likely maximum contamination.

• If groundwater contamination is encountered, an additional investigation workplan may be required to determine the extents of that contamination. Groundwater and/or surface water samples, if any, must be analyzed by a competent laboratory for volatile organic hydrocarbons (typically Method 8260 full list), total dissolved solids, pH, major anions and cations including chloride and sulfate, dissolved iron, and dissolved manganese. The investigation workplan must provide the groundwater sampling method(s) and sample handling protocols. To the fullest extent possible, aqueous analyses must be undertaken using nominal method detection limits. As with the soil analyses, copies of the actual laboratory results must be provided including chain of custody documentation.

• Accurately scaled and well-drafted site maps must be provided providing the location of borings, test pits, monitoring wells, potentially impacted areas, and significant surface features including roads and site infrastructure that might limit either the release characterization or remedial efforts. Field sketches may be included in subsequent reporting, but should not be considered stand-alone documentation of the site's layout. Digital photographic documentation of the location and fieldwork is recommended, especially if unusual circumstances are encountered.

Nothing herein should be interpreted to preclude emergency response actions or to imply immediate remediation by removal cannot proceed as warranted. Nonetheless, characterization of impacts and confirmation of the effectiveness of remedial efforts must still be provided to the OCD before any release incident will be closed.

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