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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 August 8, 2011

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

## Release Notification and Corrective Action

### OPERATOR

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company:	COG Operating LLC	Contact:	Robert McNeill
Address:	600 West Illinois Avenue, Midland TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-683-7443
Facility Name:	Azores Federal 3H Battery	Facility Type:	Tank Battery
Surface Owner:	Federal	Mineral Owner:	API No. 30-025-41158

### LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
N	29	24S	32E	190	South	1980	West	Lea

Latitude 32.1816483 Longitude -103.6988449

### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release:	Oil	Volume of Release:	9 bbls	Volume Recovered:	8 bbls
Source of Release:	Circulating Pump	Date and Hour of Occurrence:	June 21, 2017 6:00 pm	Date and Hour of Discovery:	June 21, 2017 6:00 pm
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?			
By Whom?	Date and Hour:				
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

**APPROVED**

**By Olivia Yu at 8:53 am, Apr 04, 2018**



Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

The release was due to the circulating pump bleeder valve being left open after a roustabout crew replaced the pump and fittings.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

The release occurred within the lined facility. A final inspection has been conducted regarding the clean-up efforts made at the above mentioned lined facility. Free fluids were removed and if present the impacted gravel was removed from the liner and taken to a NMOCD approved disposal facility. The liner was inspected for damage and found to have liner integrity to contain free fluids.

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.

Signature: 		<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Dakota Neel		Approved by Environmental Specialist: 	
Title: HSE Coordinator	Approval Date: 4/4/2018	Expiration Date: xx/xx/xxxx	
E-mail Address: dneel2@concho.com	Conditions of Approval:		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: December 11, 2017	Phone: 575-746-2010		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

nOY1717734718

**From:** [Yu, Olivia, EMNRD](#)  
**To:** [Dakota Neel: stucker@blm.gov](#)  
**Cc:** [Jim Amos \(jamos@blm.gov\)](#); [Rebecca Haskell](#); [Billings, Bradford, EMNRD](#); [Robert McNeill](#); [Sheldon Hitchcock](#); [Christopher Gray](#)  
**Subject:** RE: (C-141 Final) Azores Federal #3H Tank Battery 6-21-17 (30-025-41158)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 8:55:00 AM  
**Attachments:** approved\_Azores Federal 3H Tank Battery Final C-141 6-21-17 (30-025-41158).pdf  
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image003.png

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Mr. Neel:

The available information indicates **OPERATOR** has met the requirements of 19.15.29 NMAC and no further corrective action is required. NMOCD considers **nOY1717734718** closed. This determination by the Oil Conservation Division does not relieve Operator of responsibility should future information indicate a threat to ground water, surface water, human health, or the environment. Furthermore, it does not relieve Operator of responsibility for compliance with any federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Thanks,

Olivia Yu  
Environmental Specialist  
NMOCD, District I  
[Olivia.yu@state.nm.us](mailto:Olivia.yu@state.nm.us)  
575-393-6161 x113

OCD approval does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations fail to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that may pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, local laws and/or regulations.

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**From:** Dakota Neel <DNeel2@concho.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 11, 2017 10:48 AM  
**To:** Yu, Olivia, EMNRD <Olivia.Yu@state.nm.us>; stucker@blm.gov  
**Cc:** Jim Amos (jamos@blm.gov) <jamos@blm.gov>; Rebecca Haskell <RHaskell@concho.com>; Billings, Bradford, EMNRD <Bradford.Billings@state.nm.us>; Robert McNeill <RMcNeill@concho.com>; Sheldon Hitchcock <SLHitchcock@concho.com>; Christopher Gray <CGray@concho.com>  
**Subject:** (C-141 Final) Azores Federal #3H Tank Battery 6-21-17 (30-025-41158)

Ms. Yu/Ms. Tucker,

A final inspection has been conducted regarding the clean-up efforts made at the above mentioned lined facility. Free fluids were removed and if present the impacted gravel was removed from the

liner and taken to a NMOCD approved disposal facility. The liner was inspected for damage and found to have liner integrity to contain free fluids. Please see the attached Final C-141 and picture taken during the final inspection conducted by a COG HSE representative.



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**From:** Yu, Olivia, EMNRD [<mailto:Olivia.Yu@state.nm.us>]

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 9:45 AM

**To:** Rebecca Haskell; [stucker@blm.gov](mailto:stucker@blm.gov)

**Cc:** Oberding, Tomas, EMNRD; Jim Amos ([jamos@blm.gov](mailto:jamos@blm.gov))

**Subject:** [External] RE: (C-141 Initial) Azores Federal #3H Tank Battery 6-21-17 (30-025-41158)

\*\*\*\* External email. Use caution. \*\*\*\*

Dear Ms. Haskell:

Please see the attachment for your records.

Please inspect the liner in question. It is OCD's understanding that all impacted material in the containment has been removed and the liner inspected for integrity. Provide NMOCD with a concise report of the inspection with affirmation the liner has and will continue to contain liquids. Pictures and a record of the removal of contaminated fill or proper disposal of liquids are strongly encouraged to accompany submission of initial C-141s.

Thanks,

Olivia Yu  
Environmental Specialist  
NMOCD, District I  
[Olivia.yu@state.nm.us](mailto:Olivia.yu@state.nm.us)  
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**From:** Rebecca Haskell [<mailto:RHaskell@concho.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 21, 2017 7:46 AM  
**To:** Yu, Olivia, EMNRD <[Olivia.Yu@state.nm.us](mailto:Olivia.Yu@state.nm.us)>; [stucker@blm.gov](mailto:stucker@blm.gov)  
**Cc:** Oberding, Tomas, EMNRD <[Tomas.Oberding@state.nm.us](mailto:Tomas.Oberding@state.nm.us)>; Jim Amos ([jamos@blm.gov](mailto:jamos@blm.gov))  
<[jamos@blm.gov](mailto:jamos@blm.gov)>  
**Subject:** (C-141 Initial) Azores Federal #3H Tank Battery 6-21-17 (30-025-41158)

Ms. Yu / Ms. Tucker,

Please find the attached Initial C-141 for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank You,

Becky Haskell  
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