Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

## **UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 Expires: January 31, 2018

5.	Lease Serial No.	
	NMLC060850	

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS 31 2017 Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter and 31.2017	5. Lease Serial No. NMLC060850	
abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.	6. If Indian, Allottee or 7	

Do not use the abandoned we	6. If Indian, Allottee o	r Tribe Name					
SUBMIT IN	7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.						
Type of Well	8. Well Name and No. SAN JACINTO 4 FEDERAL COM 4H						
Name of Operator     CIMAREX ENERGY CO OF	Contact: COLORAÐ Øail: rsheldon@	ELDON		9. API Well No. 30-005-29209-00-S1			
3a. Address 202 S. CHEYENNE AVE, SUI TULSA, OK 74103-4346	TE 1000	(include area code) 5-1709		10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area APACHE SPRING-ABO, NORTH			
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T	., R., M., or Survey Description)			11. County or Parish, S	State		
Sec 4 T15S R31E SWSW 330	OFSL 330FWL			CHAVES COUNTY, NM			
12. CHECK THE AI	PPROPRIATE BOX(ES)	TO INDICA	ΓE NATURE O	F NOTICE,	REPORT, OR OTH	IER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION TYPE OF ACTION							
Notice of Intent	☐ Acidize	☐ Deep	en	☐ Producti	ion (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off	
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Alter Casing	☐ Hyd	raulic Fracturing	☐ Reclama	ation	☐ Well Integrity	
	☐ Casing Repair	_	Construction	☐ Recomp		☑ Other Venting and/or Flari ng	
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans		and Abandon		arily Abandon		
	☐ Convert to Injection	☐ Plug	Back	☐ Water D	Disposal		
If the proposal is to deepen directions Attach the Bond under which the woi following completion of the involved testing has been completed. Final At determined that the site is ready for fi Cimarex requests to flare appr maintenance.	rk will be performed or provide operations. If the operation res- pandonment Notices must be file inal inspection.	the Bond No. on sults in a multiple ed only after all r	file with BLM/BIA e completion or reco requirements, includ	. Required sub impletion in a raining reclamation	osequent reports must be new interval, a Form 3160 n, have been completed a	filed within 30 days 0-4 must be filed once	
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.  Electronic Submission #386165 verified by the BLM Well Information System  For CIMAREX ENERGY CO OF COLORADO, sent to the Roswell  Committed to AFMSS for processing by DAVID GLASS on 08/25/2017 (17DRG0272SE)							
Name (Printed/Typed) RHONDA	SHELDON		Title REGUL	ATORY TEC	CHNICIAN		
Signature (Electronic S	Submission)		Date 08/25/20	017			
THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE							
Approved By	DAYID & COM		Title PETRO	LEUM ENG	ANEER	AUG 2 5 2017 Date	
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or tertify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.			Office				

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

(Instructions on page 2) \*\* BLM REVISED \*\*



**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL** 

## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Roswell Field Office 2909 West Second Street Roswell, New Mexico 88201 (575) 627-0272 Venting and/or Flaring Conditions of Approval

Pursuant to 43 CFR 3179

Lessees or operators are hereby authorized to vent or flare gas on a short-term basis without incurring a royalty obligation in the following circumstances:

- A. 43 CFR 3179.105 **Emergencies** (a) An operator may flare or, if flaring is not feasible given the emergency, vent gas royalty-free under §3179.4 (a) (vi) of this subpart during an emergency. For purposes of this subpart, an "emergency" is a temporary, infrequent and unavoidable situation in which the loss of gas or oil is uncontrollable or necessary to avoid risk of an immediate and substantial adverse impact on safety, public health, or the environment. For purposes of royalty assessment, an "emergency" is limited to a short-term situation of 24 hours or less (unless the BLM agrees that the emergency conditions necessitating venting or flaring extend for a longer period) caused by an unanticipated event or failure that is out of the operator's control and was not due to operator negligence.
- B. 43 CFR 3179.4 Determining when the loss of oil or gas is avoidable or unavoidable.
  (2) Avoidably lost oil or gas means: Lost oil or gas that is not "unavoidably lost," as defined in paragraph (a) of this section; waste oil that became waste oil through operator negligence; and, any "excess flared gas," as defined in §3179.7.
- C. 43 CFR 3179.5 When lost production is subject to royalty.
  - (a) Royalty is due on all avoidably lost oil or gas.
  - (b) Royalty is not due on any unavoidably lost oil or gas.

## **Condition of Approval to Flare Gas**

- 1. The first 24 hours of a <u>temporary emergency flare</u> is considered "unavoidably lost" and is therefore royalty free. Flared volumes that are considered unavoidably lost are not to be included in Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). These Volumes are not royalty bearing and shall be reported on OGOR "B" as either disposition code "21" or "22".
- 2. Flared volumes considered to be "avoidably lost": These flare events will require prior approval via Notice of Intent- Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Volumes flared beyond limits defined in 43 CFR 3179.7 are considered "avoidably lost" and will require payment of royalties, unless an exception is granted in accordance with 43 CFR 3179. Volumes for avoidably lost gas shall be reported on OGOR "B" reports as disposition code "08".

If the operator believes that the flared volumes were "unavoidably lost" and the BLM determines them to be "avoidably lost", the operator can submit a more detailed request via Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) for an exception in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.4, 3179.103 - 3179.105. As an alternative to producing oil and flaring gas the operator may choose to shut the well in and avoid paying royalties on otherwise avoidably lost gas.

- 3. Approval not to exceed 90 days, if flaring is still required past 90 days submit new request for approval.
- 4. Submit Subsequent Report with actual volumes of gas flared for each month gas is flared on a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Include method for volume determination and duration. Report unavoidably lost (first 24 hrs. of unexpected event) and avoidably lost (exceeding the first 24 hrs. or flared gas that has been approved as avoidably lost by the Authorized Officer) volumes and durations on the Subsequent Report.
- 5. In determining the volumes of gas to be reported, shall be in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.4, 43 CFR 3179.5, 43 CFR 3179.9 and 43 CFR 3179.10
- 6. The operator must estimate or measure all volumes of gas vented or flared gas by one of the following methods.
  - i. Measure the flare gas by a meter. The meter shall meet all requirements for a sales meter as per Federal Regulations, 43 CFR 3175 (due to volume of gas being flared). Include meter serial number on Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5).
  - ii. Calculate the volume of the flared gas based on the results of a regularly performed GOR test and measured values for the volumes of oil production and gas sales, so as to allow BLM to independently verify the volume, rate, and heating value of the gas flared.

Regulation Ref: Link to 43 CFR 3179 **Waste Prevention and Resources Conservation**; <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-">https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-</a>

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