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

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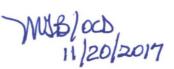
FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 Expires: January 31, 2018

5. Lease Serial No.

SUNDRY	NOTICES AND REPO	RTS ON WELL	S	ac 00	NMNM117126		
abandoned wel	NOTICES AND REPO s form for proposals to II. Use form 3160-3 (API	D) for such prop	osalo B	35 0	6. If Indian, Allottee	or Tribe Name	
SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2 NOV 13 2011					7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.		
Type of Well	ar		DE	CEIV	Well Name and No TALCO 9 26 35 F	EDERAL 3H	
Name of Operator     COG OPERATING LLC  Contact: CATHY SEELY E-Mail: cseely@concho.com					9. API Well No. 30-025-43458		
3a. Address 2208 W MAIN STREET ARTESIA, NM 88210  3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 575-748-1549					<ol> <li>Field and Pool or Exploratory Area WOLFCAMP</li> </ol>		
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)					11. County or Parish,	11. County or Parish, State	
Sec 9 T26S R35E SWNE 2440FNL 2280FEL /					LEA COUNTY, NM		
12. CHECK THE AF	PPROPRIATE BOX(ES)	TO INDICATE	NATURE O	F NOTICE	E, REPORT, OR OT	HER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION						
Notice of Intent  ✓	☐ Acidize	□ Deepen □ Pro		☐ Produc	ction (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off	
Subsequent Report	Alter Casing		Hydraulic Fracturing		nation	☐ Well Integrity	
— Casing Repair					Recomplete  Other Venting and/or Fla		
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans ☐ Convert to Injection			orarily Abandon Disposal	ng		
following completion of the involved testing has been completed. Final Abdetermined that the site is ready for fit COG OPERATING LLC RESEFROM 7/20/17 TO 10/18/17.  # OF WELLS TO FLARE: 1 TALCO 9 26 35 FED COM 3H  BBLS OIL/DAY: 420 MCF/DAY: 460	nandonment Notices must be fil inal inspection.  PECTFULLY REQUEST	ed only after all requ	rements, includ	ing reclamati	on, have been completed	60-4 must be filed once and the operator has	
SEE ATTACHED FOR							
REASON: UNPLANNED MIDSTREAM CURTAILMENT  CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL							
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is  Name (Printed/Typed) CATHY S	Electronic Submission # For COG Committed to AFMSS fo	OPERATING LLC,	sent to the F RISCILLA PE	lobbs	25/2017 ()		
					APPROVE	#D /	
Signature (Electronic S		Da	0172012		711 110 41		
	THIS SPACE FO	OR FEDERAL (	OR STATE	OFFICE	JSE 0CT 3 0 20	17	
Approved By  Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.  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 age States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.						AGENIZATE VICE	
States any false, fictitious or fraudulent	statements or representations as	to any matter within	its jurisdiction.				

(Instructions on page 2)

\*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\*



## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 575-234-5972

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.
  - 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; https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-

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