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# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Departmed Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 GAS CAPTURE PLAN

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This Gas Capture Plan outlines actions to be taken by the Operator to reduce well/production facility flaring/venting for new completion (new drill, recomplete to new zone, re-frac) activity.

Note: A C-129 must be submitted and approved prior to exceeding 60 days allowed by Rule 19.15.18.12.A

# Well(s)/Production Facility - Name of facility

The well(s) that will be located at the production facility are shown in the table below.

Well Name	API	Well Locat (ULSTR)	tion Footages	Expected MCF/D	Flared or Vented	Comments
Black & Tan 27 Fed Com 401H		Sec 27 T20S R34E	224' FSL & 610' FWL	1,200	Flared	Flared only in emergency
Black & Tan 27 Fed Com 402H		Sec 27 T20S R34E	215' FSL &B 2100' FWL	1,200	Flared	Flared only in emergency
Black & Tan 27 Fed Com 403H		Sec 27 T20S R34E	215' FSL & 2200' FWL	1,200	Flared	Flare only in emergency
Black & Tan 27 Fed Com 404H 30	024 46024	Sec 27 T20S R34E	215' FSL & 2172' FEL	1,200	Flared	Flared only in emergency
Black & Tan 27 Fed Com 405H		Sec 27 T20S R34E	215' FSL & 2072' FEL	1,200	Flared	Flared only in emergency
Black & Tan 27 Fed Com 406H		Sec 27 T20S R34E	215' FSL & 762' FEL	1,200	Flared	Flared only in emergency

### **Gathering System and Pipeline Notification**

Well(s) will be connected to a production facility after flowback operations are complete if gas transporter system is in place. The gas produced from production facility is dedicated to <u>LUCID ENERGY GROUP</u> and will be connected to <u>LUCID'S</u> LOW pressure gathering system located in LEA County, New Mexico. It will require 1829 ft of pipeline to connect the facility to LOW pressure gathering system. Apache Corporation provides (periodically) to LUCID ENERGY GROUP a drilling, completion and estimated first production date for wells that are scheduled to be drilled in the foreseeable future. In addition, Apache Corporation and LUCID ENERGY GROUP have periodic conference calls to discuss changes to drilling and completion schedules. Gas from these wells will be processed at LUCID'S RED HILLS Processing Plant located in Sec. 17, Twp 24S, Rng 33E, LEA County, New Mexico. The actual flow of the gas will be based on compression operating parameters and gathering system pressures.

## Flowback Strategy

After the fracture treatment/completion operations, well(s) will be produced to temporary production tanks and gas will be flared or vented. During flowback, the fluids and sand content will be monitored. When the produced fluids contain minimal sand, the wells will be turned to production facilities. Gas sales should start as soon as the wells start flowing through the production facilities, unless there are operational issues on **LUCID ENERGY GROUP** system at that time. Based on current information, it is Apache Corporation's belief the system can take this gas upon completion of the well(s).

Safety requirements during cleanout operations from the use of underbalanced air cleanout systems may necessitate that sand and nonpipeline quality gas be vented and/or flared rather than sold on a temporary basis.

# Alternatives to Reduce Flaring

Below are alternatives considered from a conceptual standpoint to reduce the amount of gas flared.

- Power Generation On lease
  - o Only a portion of gas is consumed operating the generator, remainder of gas will be flared
- Compressed Natural Gas On lease
  - Gas flared would be minimal, but might be uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines
  - NGL Removal On leasePlants are expensive, residue gas is still flared, and uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines