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To: [Christine Alderman](#); [Gloria Garza](#)
Cc: [Groves, Amber](#)
Subject: RE: [External] RE: Spill - Witherspoon 26 23 State 1H - 11/21/2017
Date: Thursday, December 7, 2017 9:21:00 AM
Attachments: Cimarex_Witherspoon_20171205102832985.pdf
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Dear Ms. Alderman:

Please see the attachment for your records. NMOCD requests confirmatory laboratory analyses of discrete soil samples (0-6" bgs) from the impacted pasture area.

Please inspect the liner in question. It is NMOCD'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,

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From: Christine Alderman [mailto:calderman@cimarex.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2017 9:32 AM
To: Yu, Olivia, EMNRD <Olivia.Yu@state.nm.us>; Gloria Garza <ggarza@cimarex.com>
Cc: Groves, Amber <agroves@slo.state.nm.us>
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[Here is the C-141.](#)

Respectfully,

Christine Alderman

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

Sent: Monday, December 04, 2017 2:41 PM

To: Gloria Garza <ggarza@cimarex.com>

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Ms. Garza:

Please be advised that an initial C-141 is due before Wednesday, December 6, 2017 for the below release.

Thanks,

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From: Gloria Garza [<mailto:ggarza@cimarex.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 5:20 PM

To: Yu, Olivia, EMNRD <Olivia.Yu@state.nm.us>

Cc: Groves, Amber <agroves@slo.state.nm.us>; Christine Alderman <calderman@cimarex.com>

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Hello

We had a spill today at the Witherspoon 26 23 State 1H.

A hole developed on baird back pressure valve on a 2 inch tee due to material failure. We will replace baird back pressure valve with a choke and replace connections with extra heavy nipples.

4 barrels of crude oil were released and we recovered 3 barrels.
11 barrels of produced water were released and we recovered 8 barrels.

The majority of the fluid stayed on location but due to the high winds today at 30 MPH a mist reached the pasture measuring 40' X 60'.

The haul ticket is attached.

API Number:	3002543291
ULSTR:	M-26-21S-33E
Footages	330 FSL & 630 FWL
Well Name & Number:	WITHERSPOON 26 23 STATE No. 001H
Operator:	CIMAREX ENERGY CO.

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