



30-025-41300

## **HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H<sub>2</sub>S) CONTINGENCY PLAN ARROWHEAD GRAYBURG UNIT #410**

**Assumed 100 ppm ROE = 3000'**

100 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.

**This is an open drilling site. H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring equipment and emergency response equipment will be rigged up and in use when the company drills out from under surface casing. H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, warning signs, wind indicators and flags will be in use.**

- A. All personnel shall receive proper H<sub>2</sub>S training in accordance with Onshore Order 6 III.C.3.a
- B. Briefing Area: Two perpendicular areas will be designated by signs and readily accessible.
- C. Required Emergency Equipment:
  - Well control equipment
    - a. Flare line 150' from wellhead to be ignited by flare gun.
    - b. Choke manifold with a remotely operated choke.
    - c. Mud/Gas Separator.
  - Protective Equipment for essential personnel.
    - Breathing apparatus:
      - a. Rescue Packs (SCBA) – 1 unit shall be placed at each briefing area. 2 units shall be stored in the safety trailer.
      - b. Work/Escapes packs – 4 packs shall be stored on the rig floor with sufficient air hose not to restrict work activity.
      - c. Emergency Escape Packs – 4 packs shall be stored in the doghouse for emergency evacuation.
    - Auxiliary Rescue Equipment:
      - a. Stretcher
      - b. Two OSHA full body harness
      - c. 100 ft. 5/8" OSHA approved rope
      - d. One 20# class ABC fire extinguisher
  - H<sub>2</sub>S detection and monitoring Equipment:
    - The stationary detector with three sensors will be placed in the upper doghouse, set to visually alarm @ 10 ppm and audible @ 14 ppm. Calibrate a minimum of every 30 days or as needed. The sensors will be placed in the following places: Rig floor, Bell nipple, end of flare line or where well bore fluid is being discharged (Gas sample tubes will be stored in the safety trailer).

AUG 01 2013

- Visual warning systems.
  - a. One color code condition sign will be placed at the entrance to the site reflecting the possible conditions at the site.
  - b. A colored condition flag will be on display, reflecting the current condition, at the drilling site.
  - c. Two wind socks will be placed in strategic locations being visible from all angles.
- Mud Program:  
The mud program has been designated to minimize the volume of H<sub>2</sub>S circulated to surface. The operator will have the necessary mud products to minimize hazards while drilling in H<sub>2</sub>S bearing zones.
- Metallurgy:
  - a. All drill strings, casings, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventer, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, shall be suitable for H<sub>2</sub>S service.
  - b. All elastomers used for packing and seals shall be H<sub>2</sub>S trim.
- Communication:  
Communication will be via two way radio in emergency and company vehicles. Cell phones and land lines where available.

## **H<sub>2</sub>S Operations**

Though no H<sub>2</sub>S is anticipated during the drilling operation, this contingency plan will provide for methods to ensure the well is kept under control in the event an H<sub>2</sub>S reading of 100 ppm or more are encountered. Once personnel are safe and the proper protective gear is in place and on personnel, the operator and rig crew essential personnel will ensure the well is under control, suspend drilling operations and shut-in the well (unless pressure build up or other operational situations dictate suspending operations will prevent well control), increase the mud weight and circulate all gas from the hole utilizing the mud/gas separator downstream of the choke, the choke manifold and the emergency flare system located 150' from the well. Bring the mud system into compliance and the H<sub>2</sub>S level below 10 ppm, then notify all emergency officers that drilling ahead is practical and safe.

Proceed with drilling ahead only after all provisions of Onshore Order 6, Section III.C. have been satisfied.

## **Ignition of Gas source**

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever this is an ignition of the gas.

### **Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S and SO<sub>2</sub>**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Chemical Formula</b>	<b>Specific Gravity</b>	<b>Threshold Limit</b>	<b>Hazardous Limit</b>	<b>Lethal Concentration</b>
<b>Hydrogen Sulfide</b>	<b>H<sub>2</sub>S</b>	<b>1.189 Air = 1</b>	<b>10 ppm</b>	<b>100 ppm/hr</b>	<b>600 ppm</b>
<b>Sulfur Dioxide</b>	<b>SO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>2.21 Air = 1</b>	<b>2 ppm</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1000 ppm</b>

### **Contacting Authorities**

XTO Energy Inc's personnel must liaison with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available including directions to site. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. (Operator Name)'s response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's "Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan" (HMER).

## **EUNICE OFFICE – EDDY & LEA COUNTIES**

EMSU @ Oil Center, NM, 8/10ths mile west of Hwy 8 on Hwy 175  
Eunice, NM 575-394-2089

Buckeye Office @ Lea County: From Hobbs, NM take Hwy 62/180 West  
Approx. 10 miles to SH 529, turn NW on SH 529 for 3 miles, turn North  
On Hwy 238, proceed North approx 8 miles to Buckeye field office  
(1/4 mile North of Buckeye store) 575-396-0542

### **XTO ENERGY INC PERSONNEL:**

Boogie Armes, Sr. Drilling Superintendent	432-556-7403
Bob Chance, Drilling Superintendent	432-296-3926
Chip Amrock, Sr. Drilling Engineer	432-638-8372
Jeff Raines, Construction Foreman	432-557-3159
Dudley McMinn, EH & S Manager	432-557-7976
Jerry Parker, Buckeye Production Foreman	575-441-1628
Guy Pearce, Eunice Monument Production Foreman	575-441-2965
Gene Hudson, Maintenance Foreman	575-441-1634
Rick Wilson, Production Superintendent	575-441-1147

### **SHERIFF DEPARTMENTS:**

Eddy County	575-887-7551
Lea County	575-396-3611

**NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE:** 575-392-5588

### **FIRE DEPARTMENTS:**

	911
Carlsbad	575-885-2111
Eunice	575-394-2111
Hobbs	575-397-9308
Jal	575-395-2221
Lovington	575-396-2359

### **HOSPITALS:**

	911
Carlsbad Medical Emergency	575-885-2111
Eunice Medical Emergency	575-394-2112
Hobbs Medical Emergency	575-397-9308
Jal Medical Emergency	575-395-2221
Lovington Medical Emergency	575-396-2359

### **AGENT NOTIFICATIONS:**

Bureau of Land Management	575-393-3612
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division	575-393-6161
Mosaic Potash - Carlsbad	575-887-2871

### **CONTRACTORS:**

ABC Rental – Light Towers	575-394-3155
Bulldog Services – Trucking/Forklift	575-391-8543
Champion – Chemical	575-393-7726
Indian Fire & Safety	575-393-3093
Key – Dirt Contractor	575-393-3180
Key Tools – Light Towers	575-393-2415
Sweatt – Dirt Contractor	575-397-4541
RWI – Contract Gang	575-393-5305



December 8, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Barry Hunt is employed by XTO Energy Inc. to sign as their agent for APD's and Right of Ways in the state of New Mexico and Texas.

If you have any questions, please contact me at my office at 432-682-8873.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Eubank", written over a horizontal line.

Don Eubank  
XTO Energy Inc.  
Drilling Manager