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

Date 07/28/2017

	Expires: January 31, 20
5.	Lease Serial No.

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abandoned wel	6. If Indian, Allottee of	r Tribe Name						
SUBMIT IN 1		ment, Name and/or No.						
Type of Well	ier		DE	01 2017 CEIVE	8. Well Name and No. SKULL CAP FEDI	ERAL COM 22H		
Name of Operator     COG OPERATING LLC	Contact: C E-Mail: cseely@con	CATHY SEE	LY		9. API Well No. 30-025-43299-00-S1			
3a. Address ONE CONCHO CENTER 60 MIDLAND, TX 79701-4287	10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area UNKNOWN WC025G09S243532M-BONE SPRING							
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T.	., R., M., or Survey Description)				11. County or Parish, State			
Sec 32 T24S R35E NWSE 25	LEA COUNTY, NM							
12. CHECK THE AF	PPROPRIATE BOX(ES) T	TO INDICA	TE NATURE	OF NOTICE,	REPORT, OR OTH	IER DATA		
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION							
Nation of Intent	☐ Acidize	☐ Dee	pen	☐ Product	tion (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off		
Notice of Intent  ■ Notice of Intent	☐ Alter Casing	□ Нус	draulic Fracturing	g 🗖 Reclam	ation	■ Well Integrity		
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Casing Repair	□ Nev	w Construction	□ Recom	plete	Other		
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans ☐ Plug and Abandon ☐ Temporarily Abandon		rarily Abandon	Venting and/or Flari				
	☐ Convert to Injection	Plug	g Back	■ Water I	Disposal	"5		
13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation: Clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recomplete horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports must be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompletion in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 must be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices must be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.								
COG OPERATING LLC RESP	PECTFULLY REQUEST TO	O FLARE A	T THE SKULL	CAP FED CC	M 22H.			
FROM 7/20/17 TO 10/18/17.								
# OF WELLS TO FLARE: 1 SKULL CAP FED COM 22H: 30-025-43299  BBLS OIL/DAY: 1050  SEE ATTACHED FOR								
BBLS OIL/DAY: 1050 MCF/DAY: 1200  CONDITIONS OF A						<b>174 T</b>		
REASON: UNPLANNED MIDSTREAM CURTAILMENT								
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is	Electronic Submission #38	PERATING I	LC, sent to the	Hobbs	,			
Name (Printed/Typed) CATHY SI		NEERING TE						
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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. Office Hobbs 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.

Approved By OMAR ALOMAR

Signature

(Electronic Submission)

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or

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

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THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE

07/20/2017

TitlePETROLEUM ENGINEER



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Carlsbad Field Office
620 East Greene Street
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220
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## COG OPERATING LL SKULL CAP FEDERAL COM 22H NMNM132948

## 07/28/2017

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, (<u>from 07/20/2017 to 10/18/2017</u>), if flaring is still required past 60 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. 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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