Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

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

**NMOCD** 

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

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS Hobbs Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.					5. Lease Serial No. NMLC029519A		
					6. If Indian, Allottee or		
SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2  1. Type of Well  8. W						ment, Name and/or No.	
1. Type of Well  ☑ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other				CEIVE	8. Well Name and No. MAS FEDERAL 3H		
2. Name of Operator COG OPERATING LLC	RINO	TVE	9. API Well No. 30-025-42950-0	0.51			
					10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area		
3a. Address ONE CONCHO CENTER 60 MIDLAND, TX 79701-4287	3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 432.221.0467			BERRY-BONE SPRING, NORTH			
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T.	)			11. County or Parish, State			
Sec 34 T20S R34E NWNE 190FNL 2310FEL					LEA COUNTY, NM		
12. CHECK THE AF	PPROPRIATE BOX(ES)	TO INDICA	TE NATURE OI	F NOTICE,	REPORT, OR OTH	ER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION						
☑ Notice of Intent	☐ Acidize	□ Deep	pen	☐ Product	ion (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off	
	☐ Alter Casing	☐ Hyd	raulic Fracturing	☐ Reclam	ation	■ Well Integrity	
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Subsequent Report ☐ Casing Repair		Construction	□ Recomp	olete	Other	
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans	☐ Plug	and Abandon	☐ Tempor	arily Abandon	Venting and/or Flari	
	☐ Convert to Injection	☐ Plug	Back	☐ Water I	Disposal		
13. Describe Proposed or Completed Ope If the proposal is to deepen directions Attach the Bond under which the wor following completion of the involved testing has been completed. Final At determined that the site is ready for final	ally or recomplete horizontally, rk will be performed or provide I operations. If the operation re- bandonment Notices must be fil	give subsurface the Bond No. or sults in a multipl	locations and measure in file with BLM/BIA e completion or reco	red and true ve Required su impletion in a	ertical depths of all perting bsequent reports must be new interval, a Form 316	ent markers and zones. filed within 30 days 0-4 must be filed once	
COG Operating LLC respectfu	ally request to flare at the	Mas Fed #3H	I				
From 3/12/17 to 6/10/17							
# of wells to flare: 1 Mas Fed #3H, 30-025-42950			SEE ATT	A CUET	) EOD		
bbls oil/day: 1,000 mcf/day: 2,500 CON				EE ATTACHED FOR ONDITIONS OF APPROVAL			
Reason: waiting on gas sales	line					2	
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is	Electronic Submission # For COG	368854 verifie OPERATING I	d by the BLM Wel LC, sent to the H	l Information	System	///	
Committed to AFMSS for processing by PRISCILLA PEREZ on 03/06/2017 (17PP0328SE)						/ //	
Name (Printed/Typed) BRIAN MA	Title AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE						
Signature (Electronic S	Date 03/06/2017 /APPR/0VED						
	THIS SPACE FO	OR FEDERA	L OR STATE	OFFICE U	1111 // 0 20170	11100	
Approved By			Title Date				
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.			Office	CAR	OF LAND MANAGEM LSB/D FIELD OFFICE	ENT	

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.

(Instructions on page 2)
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## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greené 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**; <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-">https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-</a>

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