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## GAS CAPTURE PLAN

x Original			Oper	ator & OGRID	No.: <u>Devo</u>	on Production	n Co., L.P. (6137)
☐ Amen	ded		Date: 6/8/2018				
Reason for	r Amendment:						
This Gas (new comp	Capture Plan outling letion (new drill, red -129 must be submitted)	es action complete	ns to be taken be to new zone, re	y the Operator t e-frac) activity.	o reduce we  HO	11/production BBS OCH	Gacility flaring/venting
	roduction Facility -				ys uno vea c	RECEIVI	<b>ED</b>
The well(s	) that will be locate	d at the	production facil	ity are shown in	the table bel	ow.	
Well	Name	API	Well Location	Footages	Expected MCF/D	Flared or Vented	Comments
North	Thistle 3-34 State		Sec 3-T23S-33E	231'FSL 1489'			Will connect to North

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

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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 Lucid & DCP and will be connected to Lucid & DCP low/high pressure gathering system located in Lea County, New Mexico. It will require 13,000' of pipeline to connect the facility to low/high pressure gathering system. Devon provides (periodically) to Lucid & DCP a drilling, completion and estimated first production date for wells that are scheduled to be drilled in the foreseeable future. In addition, Devon and Lucid & DCP have periodic conference calls to discuss changes to drilling and completion schedules. Gas from these wells will be processed at Lucid Red Hills Processing Plant located at Sec. 13-24S-34E, Lea Co. NM & DCP Linam Ranch Processing Plant located in Sec. 6, TWN 19S, RNG 37E, 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 & DCP's system at that time. Based on current information, it is Devon'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 non-pipeline 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
  - o Gas flared would be minimal, but might be uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines
- NGL Removal On lease
  - o Plants are expensive, residue gas is still flared, and uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines