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TO: Randy Pancheco, APWS; Jim Griswold, NMOCD

FROM: Curtis Shuck, Chairman

DATE: October 17, 2022

RE: Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099) Orphan Well Pre-Plugging Methane Monitoring

## **TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM**

The Well Done Foundation, Inc. (WDF) performing contract professional services methane monitoring for A-Plus Well Services, Inc. (APWS) for the State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department – Oil Conservation Division (OCD) under Purchase Order #1000002000038AA for Orphan Oil & Gas Wells at the Double L Queen Field in Chavez County, New Mexico.

The site conditions found at Double L Queen #007 by the WDF Measure 1 Team on September 1, 2022, at 2:30 P.M. revealed a leaking wellhead with high concentrations of flammable (LEL) gas present and leaking by the production valve at the 2-3/8" tubing and from the 4" casing. The WDF Team performed field gas measurements, collected gas samples and performed two Methane Emissions Flow Monitoring Tests using Ventbuster™ Instruments VB100-003 Ultra-Low Flow Meter with GPS for site location verification. The test selected was completed September 2, 2022 and was 25.2 hours in duration.

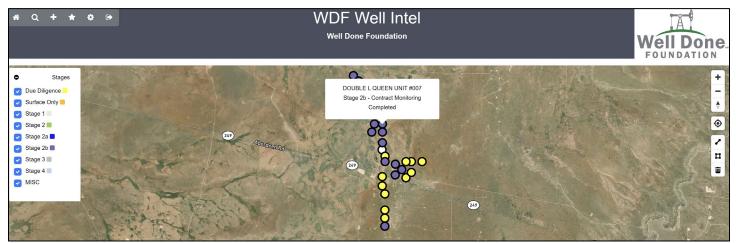


Image 1.1 – Double L Queen Field in Chavez County, NM

The findings from the Pre-Plugging Methane Flow Monitoring Test, using Ventbuster<sup>™</sup> Instruments VB100-003 Ultra-Low Flow Meter with GPS, resulted in less than <0.00 cubic meters per day of total measured wellhead emissions over the 25.2-hour period. A composite gas sample was collected at the wellhead by WDF during the initial flow test beginning on September 1, 2022, and at the end of the flow test #2 on September 2, 2022, approximately 25.2-hours later. Methane gas concentration levels were measured at <0.00 ppm, pursuant to Test ID 2022057690 performed by Laboratory Services of Hobbs, NM on September 7, 2022, at 7:51 A.M. however, total explosive gas was measured at 216,650. Therefore, the adjusted average methane gas emission measured at this wellhead is calculated at **0.00 grams per hour (g/hour)**.<sup>1</sup> The peak explosive gas emission was recorded at 10:26 P.M. on September 2, 2022 (Image 4.1) and would indicate that this orphan well has a much higher emission rate potential.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Methane Calculation: 554 grams CH4 per cubic meter (554 x 0.00 = 0.00 g/day total /24 = 0.00 g/hour x 0.220038 (methane concentration) = 0.00 g/hour CH4). Methane, gas weighs 0.000554 gram per cubic centimeter or 0.554 kilogram per cubic meter, i.e. density of methane, gas is equal to 0.554 kg/m<sup>3</sup>; at 0°C (32°F or 273.15K) at standard atmospheric pressure. In Imperial or US customary measurement system, the density is equal to 0.0346 pound per cubic foot [lb/ft<sup>3</sup>], or 0.0003202 ounce per cubic inch [oz/inch<sup>3</sup>].

This orphan well does exceed the >1 g/hour federal program reporting requirements for methane emissions reductions as described in Section 40601 (Orphaned well site plugging, remediation, and restoration) of Title V (Methane Reduction Infrastructure) of the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL; Public Law 117-58)<sup>2</sup>.

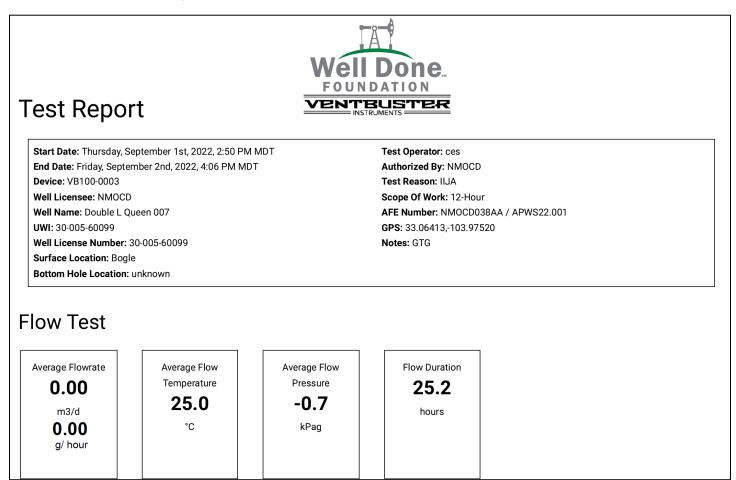


Image 2.1 – Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099) Methane Monitoring Dashboard

## BACKGROUND

The Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099) Orphan Well is located in Chavez County, NM at Latitude 33.0641327, Longitude -103.975174 was measured and monitored by the WDF Field Team on 9/1/2022 - 9/2/2022 following a Safety Briefing. Per the WDF protocol, the well was photographed from four (4) compass point aspects and closeups capturing the wellhead, field gas analysis results and gas sampling and uploaded to the WDF Well Intel<sup>™</sup> IoT site. A Field Gas Analysis was conducted to detect Methane and H2s gas presence and concentration levels using a Honeywell BW Quattro Multi Gas Meter, serial number: QA121-012211.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> These April 11, 2022 Guidelines were developed to meet the federal program reporting requirements for methane emissions reductions as described in Section 40601 (Orphaned well site plugging, remediation, and restoration) of Title V (Methane Reduction Infrastructure) of the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL; Public Law 117-58).

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Info	Well File Images Well Data Regulatory Field Notes Access Remove Well	
Name	DOUBLE L QUEEN UNIT #007	ľ
Stage	Stage 2b - Contract Monitoring Completed	÷
GPS	33.0641327 🗸 ' -103.975174	~
API #	30-005-60099	

Image 3.1 – WDF Well Intel<sup>™</sup> Orphan Well Project Management IoT

The WDF Field Team collected Gas Sample #1 using a 1 Liter Tedlar/TO-Plus Gas Sampling Bag from the 2-3/8" production tubing which was flowing gas past the valve at the beginning of the Flow Test at approximately 2:50 P.M MDT on 9.1.2022 as the well was being prepared for the initial Flow Measurement. Gas Sample #2 was collected in the same 1 Liter Tedlar Bag on 9.2.2022 before the Flow Test was concluded 4:06 P.M. MDT.

WDF rigged up the Ventbuster<sup>™</sup> Instruments VB100-003 Continuous Ultra-Low Flow Meter with GPS for testing site confirmation for a minimum 12-Hour Methane Emission Test and began Test ID: 66d75a7b, verifying a cellular signal, cloud link and GPS coordinates. WDF collected Gas Sample #2 in the same Tedlar/TO Plus Gas Sample Bag prior to the VB Test being concluded on 9.2.2022 to ensure the Methane Emission Flow was normalized. The collected Gas Sample was secured and placed in a storage cooler for transport to Laboratory Services, Inc. in Hobbs, NM.

WDF returned to location on 9.2.2022 (approximately 25.2 hours) to conclude the Pre-Plugging Methane Emission Flow Test and rig the VB100-003 down and secure the wellhead. A "Green Ribbon" was placed at the Wellhead indicating that WDF had concluded the Pre-Plugging Methane Flow testing.

## **TECHNICAL FINDINGS**

Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099):

- Total C1 through C6 Gas Concentration: 216,650 ppm
- Total Measured Wellhead Gas Emissions: <0.00 m3/day
- Methane Gas Concentration: 0.00 ppm
- Calculated Average Wellhead Methane Gas Emissions: 0.00 g/hour
- Peak Gas Flow Measured at: 0.01267 m3/day



Image 4.1 – Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099) Methane Flow/Pressure/Temperature Timeseries & Peak Flow

## CONCLUSIONS

- The Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099) is currently emitting Methane at the average rate of 0.00 g/hour, which
  is below the Federal minimum threshold for reporting described in Section 40601 (Orphaned well site plugging,
  remediation, and restoration) of Title V (Methane Reduction Infrastructure) of the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure
  Law (BIL; Public Law 117-58) which is >1g/hour.
- WDF did capture a Peak Flow of mixed explosive gasses at 0.01267 m3/day recorded at 10:26 P.M on September 2, 2022, which indicates a much higher potential for mixed explosive gas emissions, therefore plugging of this well however should be a priority in the NMOCD schedule.

### **FIELD NOTES**

#	Date	Note
1	2022-09-01	ces: Rig up VB100-003 for Methane Flow Monitoring. Collect gas sample for Lab Analysis. Photo document & GPS update.
2	2022-09-02	ces: Rig down VB100-003 from Methane Flow Monitoring at 2-3/8" tubing.

Image 4.2 – Double L Queen #007 (30-005-60099) Field Notes from WDF Well Intel™ Orphan Well Project Management IoT



1) DLQ #007 (30-005-60099) - North Facing



2) DLQ #007 (30-005-60099) - Wellhead



3) DLQ #007 (30-005-60099) - Wellhead & Gas Sample



4) DLQ #097 (30-005-60099) - Field Gas Monitoring

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14855G	Double L Queen #007			Double L Queen #007			
Sample Point Code		Sample Point Name			Sample Point Location		
Laboratory S	Services	2022057	690	Tedlar Bag		Stacy - Spot	
Source Labo		2022057690 Lab File No		Container Identity		Sampler	
USA		USA		USA		New Mexico	
District		Area Name		Field Name		Facility Name	
Sep 1, 2022 1	4:30	Sep 1,	2022 14:30	Sep 6,	, 2022 09:39	Sep 6	5, 2022
Date Sample	d	Date	e Effective	Da	te Received	Date I	Reported
		Torrano	ce				
Ambient Temp (°F)	Flow Rate (Mcf)	Analyst	:	Press PSI @ Temp °F Source Conditions			
Well Done Fou	ndation					NG	
Operator					La	ab Source Descriptio	n
Component	Normalized Mol %	Un-Normalized Mol %	GPM	Grc 14.696 PSI @	oss Heating Value	s (Real, BTU/ft <sup>3</sup> 14.73 PSI @	-
H2S (H2S)	0.0000	0		Dry 660.00	Saturated 649.6	Dry 661.5	Saturated 651.1
Nitrogen (N2)	77.3270	77.32731			alculated Total Sa		
CO2 (CO2)	0.5040	0.50382			PA2145-16 *Calculated a		
Methane (C1)	0.0000	0		Relative Der 1.16	-	Relative Der 1.15	
Ethane (C2)	2.9120	2.9117	0.7790	Molecular	Weight	1.15	001
Propane (C3)	8.6700	8.66999	2.3880	33.5419			
I-Butane (IC4)	1.9390	1.93948	0.6340	71	C6+ Group F Assumed Con	-	
N-Butane (NC4)	4.6890	4.68878	1.4780	C6 - 60.000%			- 10.000%
I-Pentane (IC5)	1.3700	1.36986	0.5010		Field H		
N-Pentane (NC5)	1.3970	1.39692	0.5060		0 PPI	М	
Hexanes Plus (C6+)	1.1920	1.19213	0.5170	PROTREND STATUS:		DATA SOU	
TOTAL	100.0000	100.0000	6.8030	Passed By Validato			
hod(s): Gas C6+ - GPA 2261, Exten	ded Gas - GPA 2286, Calcula	tions - GPA 2172		PASSED BY VALIDAT Close enough to be		onable	
	Analyzer Informa	tion		VALIDATOR:			
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evice Model: GC-2014				ok			

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Action 300539

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Operator:	OGRID:
CANYON E & P COMPANY	269864
251 O'Connor Ridge Blvd.	Action Number:
Irving, TX 75038	300539
	Action Type:
	[I IF-OMA] Pre-Plug Methane Monitoring (UF-OMA-MMA)

#### DEFINITIONS

The Orphan Well Mitigation Activity (OMA) forms are a subset of the OCD's forms exclusively designed for activities related to State of New Mexico's contracted plugging and reclamation activities. Specifically, these forms are used for orphan wells or associated facilities which are in a "Reclamation Fund Approved" status. This status represents wells or facilities where the OCD has acquired a hearing order allowing the OCD to perform plugging or reclamation on wells and associated facilities that no longer have a viable operator to perform the necessary work. These forms are not to be utilized for any other purpose.

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Action 300539

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Operator: CANYON E & P COMPANY	OGRID: 269864		
251 O'Connor Ridge Blvd. Irving, TX 75038	Action Number: 300539		
	Action Type: [UF-OMA] Pre-Plug Methane Monitoring (UF-OMA-MMA)		

#### QUESTIONS

Prerequisites		
[OGRID] Well Operator	[269864] CANYON E & P COMPANY	
[API] Well Name and Number	[30-005-60099] DOUBLE L QUEEN UNIT #007	
Well Status	Reclamation Fund Approved	

#### Monitoring Event Information

Please answer all the questions in this group.		
Reason For Filing	Pre-Plug Methane Monitoring	
Date of monitoring	09/01/2022	
Latitude	33.0641327	
Longitude	-103.975174	

### Monitoring Event Details

Please answer all the questions in this group.		
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#### Monitoring Contractor

Please answer all the questions in this group.

Name of monitoring contractor	Well Done New Mexico LLC
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