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Company: OXY USA INC
Field/Location : NMSW
Station Name : CEDAR CANYON 28 COMP STA FUEL INLET
Station Number : NA
Sample Date: 5/6/22 12:20 PM
Analysis Date: 5/9/22 1:00 PM
Instrument: INFICON
Calibration/Verification Date: 5/9/2022
Heat Trace used: YES

Work Order: 4000595140
Sampled by: OXY/JE
Sample Type : SPOT-CYLINDER
Sample Temperature (F): NA
Sample Pressure (PSIG): 65
Flow rate (MCF/Day): NA
Ambient Temperature (F): 92
Sampling method: FILL & EMPTY
Cylinder Number: 27765

NATURAL GAS ANALYSIS: GPA 2261

Components	Un-Normalized Mol%	Normalized Mol%	GPM 14.650	GPM 14.730	GPM 15.025
Hydrogen Sulfide	0.0000	0.0000			
Nitrogen	1.3966	1.4225			
Methane	73.8165	75.1904			
Carbon Dioxide	0.2787	0.2839			
Ethane	11.7436	11.9622	3.194	3.212	3.276
Propane	5.8394	5.9481	1.636	1.645	1.678
Isobutane	0.7746	0.7890	0.258	0.259	0.264
N-butane	1.9443	1.9804	0.623	0.627	0.639
Isopentane	0.4841	0.4931	0.180	0.181	0.185
N-Pentane	0.5569	0.5672	0.205	0.206	0.211
Hexanes(C6's)	0.3958	0.4031	0.166	0.166	0.170
Heptanes (C7's)	0.4035	0.4110	0.189	0.190	0.194
Octanes (C8's)	0.3339	0.3401	0.174	0.175	0.178
Nonanes Plus (C9+)	0.2052	0.2090	0.117	0.118	0.120
Total	98.1730	100.0000			

Physical Properties (Calculated)

	14.650 psia	14.730 psia	15.025 psia
Total GPM Ethane+	6.742	6.780	6.916
Total GPM Iso-Pentane+	1.031	1.037	1.059
Compressibility (Z)	0.9958	0.9957	0.9956
Specific Gravity (Air=1) @ 60 °F	0.7832	0.7832	0.7833
Molecular Weight	22.596	22.596	22.596

Gross Heating Value

	14.650 psia	14.730 psia	15.025 psia
Dry, Real (BTU/Ft ³)	1332.6	1340.0	1367.0
Wet, Real (BTU/Ft ³)	1309.3	1316.6	1343.1
Dry, Ideal (BTU/Ft ³)	1327.0	1334.2	1361.0
Wet, Ideal (BTU/Ft ³)	1303.8	1310.9	1337.2

Temperature base 60 °F

Comment: FIELD H2S =0 PPM

Verified by

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Petroleum Chemist

Approved by

Deann Friend
Laboratory Manager

UPSET FLARING EVENT SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATIONS FORM**Facility:** Cedar Canyon 28-4 CTB**Flare Date:** 08/01/2023**Duration of event:** 4 Hours 30 Minutes**MCF Flared:** 142**Start Time:** 10:00 AM**End Time:** 02:30 PM**Cause:** Emergency Flare > Third Party Downstream Activity > DCP > Emergency Shut Ins (3) > Equipment Issues**Method of Flared Gas Measurement:** Gas Flare Meter

1. Reason why this event was beyond Operator's control:

The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable interruption, restriction or complete shut-in of a gas pipeline by a third-party pipeline compressor station operator, which impacted Oxy's ability to send gas to them. This interruption, restriction or complete shut-in of the gas pipeline by a third-party pipeline compression station operator is downstream of Oxy's custody transfer point and out of Oxy's control to foresee, avoid or prevent from happening and did not stem from any of Oxy's upstream facility activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices. In this case, DCP, third party owned and operated downstream pipeline operator, shut in their takeaway line due to downstream issues on their end, which in turn, caused high line pressure to occur, which then prompted the field to pressure up automatically and trigger flaring to occur at the Cedar Canyon 28-4 CTB, several times within a 24-hr period. This event could not have been foreseen, avoided or prevented from happening as this event occurred with no advance notice or warning.

2. Steps Taken to limit duration and magnitude of venting or flaring:

It is OXY's policy to route its stranded gas to a flare during an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency or malfunction, that is beyond Oxy's control to avoid, prevent or foresee, to minimize emissions as much as possible as part of the overall steps taken to limit duration and magnitude of flaring. The flare at this facility has a 98% combustion efficiency to lessen emissions as much as possible. In this case, DCP, third party owned and operated downstream pipeline operator, shut in their takeaway line due to downstream issues on their end, which in turn, caused high line pressure to occur, which then prompted the field to pressure up automatically and trigger flaring to occur at the Cedar Canyon 28-4 CTB, several times within a 24-hr period. This event could not have been foreseen, avoided or prevented from happening as this event occurred with no advance notice or warning. As soon as flaring was triggered, field personnel engaged in Oxy's third party pipeline operation curtailment reactive stratagems and assist with ensuring field area's mitigation optimizers cut injection rates to wells in the field to reduce injection and sales gas across the area. In addition, as soon as flaring alarms were received by field personnel, they began to shut-in several wells across the area to assist with reducing field pressure so that it would stay below the flare trigger setpoints of the facility to cease flaring, which took some time to do on several occasions. This event is out of OXY's control, yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible.

3. Corrective Actions taken to eliminate the cause and reoccurrence of venting or flaring:

Oxy is unable to take any corrective actions to eliminate the cause and potential reoccurrence of a downstream third-party owned and operated gas plant's issues, as this is downstream of Oxy's custody transfer point and out of Oxy's control to foresee, avoid, prevent from happening or reoccur. Third party downstream operator, DCP, will have downstream operation issues, which may reoccur from time to time and could trigger a spike in the gas line pressure, which in turn, directly impacts Oxy's ability to send gas to them, which is out of Oxy's control. When those situations or occurrences happen, in which DCP has line issues, equipment issues or greatly struggles to handle the volume of gas being sent to them by Oxy, DCP then unexpectedly restricts Oxy's ability to send gas, which then prompts Oxy to route all its stranded gas not pushed into the DCP pipeline, to flare. OXY makes every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible. The only actions that Oxy can take and handle that is within its control, is to continually communicate with DCP personnel, who own and operate the sales gas pipeline, when possible, during these types of circumstances.

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DEFINITIONS

For the sake of brevity and completeness, please allow for the following in all groups of questions and for the rest of this application: • this application's operator, hereinafter "this operator"; • venting and/or flaring, hereinafter "vent or flare"; • any notification or report(s) of the C-129 form family, hereinafter "any C-129 forms"; • the statements in (and/or attached to) this, hereinafter "the statements in this"; • and the past tense will be used in lieu of mixed past/present tense questions and statements.

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QUESTIONS

Prerequisites	
Any messages presented in this section, will prevent submission of this application. Please resolve these issues before continuing with the rest of the questions.	
Incident Operator	[16696] OXY USA INC
Incident Type	Flare
Incident Status	Closure Not Approved
Incident Well	Unavailable.
Incident Facility	[fAB1901048503] CEDAR CANYON 28-4 CTB
Only valid Vent, Flare or Vent with Flaring incidents (selected above in the Application Details section) that are assigned to your current operator can be amended with this C-129A application.	

Determination of Reporting Requirements	
Answer all questions that apply. The Reason(s) statements are calculated based on your answers and may provide additional guidance.	
Was this vent or flare caused by an emergency or malfunction	Yes
Did this vent or flare last eight hours or more cumulatively within any 24-hour period from a single event	No
Is this considered a submission for a vent or flare event	Yes, minor venting and/or flaring of natural gas.
An operator shall file a form C-141 instead of a form C-129 for a release that, includes liquid during venting and/or flaring that is or may be a major or minor release under 19.15.29.7 NMAC.	
Was there at least 50 MCF of natural gas vented and/or flared during this event	Yes
Did this vent or flare result in the release of ANY liquids (not fully and/or completely flared) that reached (or has a chance of reaching) the ground, a surface, a watercourse, or otherwise, with reasonable probability, endanger public health, the environment or fresh water	No
Was the vent or flare within an incorporated municipal boundary or within 300 feet from an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church in existence	No

Equipment Involved	
Primary Equipment Involved	Other (Specify)
Additional details for Equipment Involved. Please specify	Emergency Flare > Third Party Downstream Activity > DCP > Emergency Shut Ins (3) > Equipment Issues

Representative Compositional Analysis of Vented or Flared Natural Gas	
Please provide the mole percent for the percentage questions in this group.	
Methane (CH4) percentage	75
Nitrogen (N2) percentage, if greater than one percent	1
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM, rounded up	0
Carbon Dioxide (CO2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
Oxygen (O2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
If you are venting and/or flaring because of Pipeline Specification, please provide the required specifications for each gas.	
Methane (CH4) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Nitrogen (N2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM quality requirement	Not answered.
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Date(s) and Time(s)	
Date vent or flare was discovered or commenced	08/01/2023
Time vent or flare was discovered or commenced	10:00 AM
Time vent or flare was terminated	02:30 PM
Cumulative hours during this event	5

Measured or Estimated Volume of Vented or Flared Natural Gas	
Natural Gas Vented (Mcf) Details	Not answered.
Natural Gas Flared (Mcf) Details	Cause: Other Other (Specify) Natural Gas Flared Released: 142 Mcf Recovered: 0 Mcf Lost: 142 Mcf.
Other Released Details	Not answered.
Additional details for Measured or Estimated Volume(s). Please specify	Gas Flare Meter
Is this a gas only submission (i.e. only significant Mcf values reported)	Yes, according to supplied volumes this appears to be a "gas only" report.

Venting or Flaring Resulting from Downstream Activity	
Was this vent or flare a result of downstream activity	Yes
Was notification of downstream activity received by this operator	No
Downstream OGRID that should have notified this operator	[229527] DCP MIDSTREAM, L.P.
Date notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	
Time notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	Not answered.

Steps and Actions to Prevent Waste	
For this event, this operator could not have reasonably anticipated the current event and it was beyond this operator's control	True
Please explain reason for why this event was beyond this operator's control	The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable interruption, restriction or complete shut-in of a gas pipeline by a third-party pipeline compressor station operator, which impacted Oxy's ability to send gas to them. This interruption, restriction or complete shut-in of the gas pipeline by a third-party pipeline compression station operator is downstream of Oxy's custody transfer point and out of Oxy's control to foresee, avoid or prevent from happening and did not stem from any of Oxy's upstream facility activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices. In this case, DCP, third party owned and operated downstream pipeline operator, shut in their takeaway line due to downstream issues on their end, which in turn, caused high line pressure to occur, which then prompted the field to pressure up automatically and trigger flaring to occur at the Cedar Canyon 28-4 CTB, several times within a 24-hr period. This event could not have been foreseen, avoided or prevented from happening as this event occurred with no advance notice or warning.
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☒	I acknowledge that with this application I will be amending an existing incident file (assigned to this operator) for a vent or flare event, pursuant to 19.15.27 and 19.15.28 NMAC.
☒	I acknowledge that amending an incident file does not replace original submitted application(s) or information and understand that any C-129 forms submitted to the OCD will be logged and stored as public record.
☒	I hereby certify the statements in this amending report are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and acknowledge that any false statement may be subject to civil and criminal penalties under the Oil and Gas Act.
☒	I acknowledge that the acceptance of any C-129 forms by the OCD does not relieve this operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate, report, and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment.
☒	I acknowledge that OCD acceptance of any C-129 forms does not relieve this operator of responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
marialuna2	If the information provided in this report requires further amendment(s), submit a [C-129] Amend Venting and/or Flaring Incident (C-129A), utilizing your incident number from this event.	8/16/2023