



Certificate of Analysis

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Jan. 11, 2024

Field: PERMIAN_RESOURCES
Station Name: Sand Dunes CTB Check
Station Number: 17000C
Station Location: OP-L0901-BT002
Sample Point: Meter
Formation: NEW_MEXICO
County:
Well Name: CTB
Type of Sample: : Spot-Cylinder
Heat Trace Used: N/A
Sampling Method: : Fill and Purge
Sampling Company: : OXY

Sampled By: JE
Sample Of: Gas Spot
Sample Date: 12/28/2023 09:20
Sample Conditions: 88 psig, @ 68 °F Ambient: 31 °F
Effective Date: 12/28/2023 09:20
Flow Rate: 17996 MSCFD
Method: GPA-2261M
Cylinder No: 5030-01063
Instrument: 70104251 (Inficon GC-MicroFusion)
Last Inst. Cal.: 01/09/2024 0:00 AM
Analyzed: 01/09/2024 08:30:50 by EBH

Analytical Data

Components	Un-normalized Mol %	Mol. %	Wt. %	GPM at 14.65 psia
Hydrogen Sulfide	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	
Nitrogen	1.2725	1.3037	1.5990	
Carbon Dioxide	0.5710	0.5850	1.1272	
Methane	70.6744	72.4044	50.8552	
Ethane	12.9937	13.3118	17.5248	3.555
Propane	7.3509	7.5308	14.5390	2.072
Iso-Butane	0.8677	0.8889	2.2620	0.290
n-Butane	2.1166	2.1684	5.5180	0.683
Iso-Pentane	0.4679	0.4794	1.5143	0.175
n-Pentane	0.5187	0.5314	1.6786	0.192
Hexanes	0.3367	0.3449	1.3013	0.142
Heptanes	0.2976	0.3049	1.3376	0.140
Octanes	0.1258	0.1289	0.6447	0.066
Nonanes Plus	0.0170	0.0175	0.0983	0.010
	97.6105	100.0000	100.0000	7.325

Calculated Physical Properties	Total	C9+
Calculated Molecular Weight	22.84	128.26
Compressibility Factor	0.9957	
Relative Density Real Gas	0.7917	4.4283
GPA 2172 Calculation:		
Calculated Gross BTU per ft³ @ 14.65 psia & 60°F		
Real Gas Dry BTU	1340.5	6974.4
Water Sat. Gas Base BTU	1317.6	6852.4
Ideal, Gross HV - Dry at 14.65 psia	1334.7	6974.4
Ideal, Gross HV - Wet	1311.4	6852.4

Comments: H2S Field Content 0 ppm
FMP/LSE NM40659

Hydrocarbon Laboratory Manager

Quality Assurance: The above analyses are performed in accordance with ASTM, UOP, GPA guidelines for quality assurance, unless otherwise stated.

UPSET FLARING EVENT SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATIONS FORM**Facility:** Sand Dunes South Corridor CTB**Flare Date:** 03/07/2024**Duration of Event:** 40 Minutes**MCF Flared:** 133**Start Time:** 06:00 AM**End Time:** 06:40 AM**Cause:** Emergency Flare > VRU Equipment Issue**Method of Flared Gas Measurement:** Gas Flare Meter

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

This emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices. Oxy engages in respectable and good facility operation practices while also maintaining its continuous facility equipment preventative maintenance program. In this case, there was a sudden and unexpected VRU unit malfunction, which then triggered a flaring event to occur. The VRU unit was working at his set discharge pressure when it reached a limit to where they were not moving gas to evacuate the VRT, which then prompted it to pressure up. This event is out of OXY's control yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible.

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, there was a sudden and unexpected VRU unit malfunction, which then triggered a flaring event to occur. The VRU unit was working at his set discharge pressure when it reached a limit to where they were not moving gas to evacuate the VRT, which then prompted it to pressure up. As soon as flaring occurred, the facility's well optimizer adjusted injection rates, which prompted flaring to cease a short time later. Oxy productions tech, who were on-site, quickly were able to also initiate the control valve at the flare to fail open, which reduced facility pressure. Once the flare ceased, the PLC was reset, and the equipment was returned to normal operating conditions. Notwithstanding proper VRU design and operation, various forms of mechanical or technical issues can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable, and unexpected which can cause VRU unit malfunctions to occur without warning or advance notice. VRU's are designed to operate in a precise manner and when malfunctions occur, it disrupts the VRU unit's operating manner causing an automatic shutdown of the unit. 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 limited in the corrective actions available to them to eliminate the cause and potential reoccurrence of VRU malfunctions as notwithstanding VRU design and operation, VRU's are inherently dynamic and even the smallest alarms, false or true, can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable and unexpected which can cause VRU malfunctions to occur, thereby, triggering the unit to automatically shut down. Oxy continually strives to maintain and operate all its equipment in a manner consistent with good practices for minimizing emissions and reducing the number of emission events. Oxy has a strong and positive equipment preventative maintenance program in place.

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	Action Number: 336849
	Action Type: [C-129] Venting and/or Flaring (C-129)

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 Well	Unavailable.
Incident Facility	[fAPP2127048458] Sand Dunes South Corridor CTB

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 withing 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 > VRU Equipment Issue

Representative Compositional Analysis of Vented or Flared Natural Gas Please provide the mole percent for the percentage questions in this group.	
Methane (CH4) percentage	72
Nitrogen (N2) percentage, if greater than one percent	1
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM, rounded up	0
Carbon Dioxide (C02) percentage, if greater than one percent	1
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.
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Date(s) and Time(s)	
Date vent or flare was discovered or commenced	03/07/2024
Time vent or flare was discovered or commenced	06:00 AM
Time vent or flare was terminated	06:40 AM
Cumulative hours during this event	1

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: 133 Mcf Recovered: 0 Mcf Lost: 133 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	No
Was notification of downstream activity received by this operator	Not answered.
Downstream OGRID that should have notified this operator	Not answered.
Date notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	Not answered.
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	This emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices. Oxy engages in respectable and good facility operation practices while also maintaining its continuous facility equipment preventative maintenance program. In this case, there was a sudden and unexpected VRU unit malfunction, which then triggered a flaring event to occur. The VRU unit was working at his set discharge pressure when it reached a limit to where they were not moving gas to evacuate the VRT, which then prompted it to pressure up. This event is out of OXY's control yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible.
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☒	I acknowledge that I am authorized to submit a <i>Venting and/or Flaring</i> (C-129) report on behalf of this operator and understand that this report can be a complete C-129 submission per 19.15.27.8 and 19.15.28.8 NMAC.
☒	I acknowledge that upon submitting this application, I will be creating a new incident file (assigned to this operator) to track any C-129 forms, pursuant to 19.15.27.7 and 19.15.28.8 NMAC and understand that this submission meets the notification requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection G and F respectively.
☒	I hereby certify the statements in this 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.
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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
shelbyschoepf	If the information provided in this report requires an amendment, submit a [C-129] Amend Venting and/or Flaring Incident (C-129A), utilizing your incident number from this event.	4/23/2024