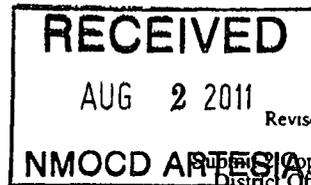


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Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003  
Submits copies to appropriate District Office in accordance with Rule 116 on back side of form

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

211481122858011 OPERATOR  Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company	COG OPERATING LLC 229137	Contact	Pat Ellis
Address	550 W. Texas, Suite 100, Midland, TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-230-0077
Facility Name	Big George	Facility Type	Tank Battery
Surface Owner State	Mineral Owner	Lease No. (API#) 30-015-28759	

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
J	12	17S	28E					Eddy

Latitude 32 50.869 Longitude 104 07.595

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release	Produced water	Volume of Release	50bbbs	Volume Recovered	45bbbs
Source of Release	Water tank	Date and Hour of Occurrence	07/27/2011	Date and Hour of Discovery	07/27/2011 10:00 a.m.
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Mike Bratcher - OCD			
By Whom?	Josh Russo	Date and Hour	07/28/2011 9:35 a.m.		
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*					
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.* A sudden rush of production caused a tank overflow due to an alarm system failure. The alarm has been repaired.					
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* Initially 50bbbs was released from the tank inside the facility walls of the Big George State Tank Battery. We were able to recover 45bbbs with a vacuum truck. The spill area measure roughly 30' x 30' inside the facility walls. All free fluid has been picked up and contaminated gravel has been removed. BBC will sample the spill site area to delineate any possible contamination from the release and we will present a work plan to the NMOCD for approval prior to any significant remediation work.					
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.					

Signature:		<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name:	Josh Russo	Signed By:	
Title:	HSE Coordinator	Approved by District Supervisor:	
E-mail Address:	jrusso@conchoresources.com	Approval Date:	AUG 16 2011
Date:	08/02/2011	Expiration Date:	
Phone:	432-212-2399	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

Remediation per OCD Rules & Guidelines. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NOT LATER THAN:**  
9/16/2011

*JRP-854*

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 02, 2011 4:23 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Cliff P. Brunson  
**Subject:** Big George SWD - C-141 Initial Report  
**Attachments:** BIG GEORGE SWD -- DATE OF RELEASE -- 07-27-2011.pdf

Mr. Bratcher,

Please see attached the C-141 Initial Report for a release we had at the Big George SWD.

Thank you,

### **Joshua Russo**

HSE Coordinator  
550 W. Texas Ave, Suite 100  
Midland, Texas 79701  
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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 28, 2011 8:35 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Big George TB release - Notification

Mr. Bratcher,

Please see below the details to a immediately reportable quantity release:

On 07-27-11 at 10:15am, a 50bbl spill of produced water was found at the Big George Battery. The incident was caused by a sudden rush of water coming into battery causing water tanks to run over due to alarm system failure and pump failure. Repaired Murphy on transfer pump and checked out alarm system. All fluid was contained within dike and has been recovered and put back into water tank. We will scrape and removed contaminated soil from within dike. We will follow up with a C-141 Initial Report.

GPS coordinates, driving directions, and legal description listed below.

N 32\* 50.869 W 104\* 07.595

Big George Battery

Sec.12-T17S-R28E

Eddy County, NM

Off of Hwy 82, T/N on Old Loco Road, to 3 miles, T/W and go 1.5 miles, road curves back to the south, second battery on left.

Thank you,

### **Joshua Russo**

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