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Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003  
Submit 2 Copies to appropriate  
District Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
side of form

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

*nmlb/1210255813* OPERATOR  Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company	COG OPERATING LLC <i>229137</i>	Contact	Pat Ellis
Address	550 W. Texas, Suite 100, Midland, TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-230-0077
Facility Name	Loco Hills SWD 35 #1 Facility	Facility Type	SWD

Surface Owner	Federal	Mineral Owner		Lease No. (API#)	30-015-31635
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**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
P	36	17S	30E					Eddy

Latitude 32 47.100 Longitude 103 55.140

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release	Produced water / Skim oil	Volume of Release	80bbls pw w/ skim oil	Volume Recovered	79bbls pw w/ skim oil
Source of Release	Transfer pump	Date and Hour of Occurrence	03/17/2012	Date and Hour of Discovery	03/17/2012 2:45 p.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	03/19/2012 10:26 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 check valve downstream of the Durco pump failed allowing fluid to run back towards the pump which pressured up the suction hose. The suction hose has been repaired and the check valve has been replaced.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*  
Initially 80bbls of produced water and skim oil were released from the suction hose at the transfer pump. We were able to recover 79bbls with a vacuum truck. The entire release was contained inside the lined facility walls. All standing fluid has been removed and the contaminated gravel has been dug out of the facility. New gravel has been added to the facility as needed. The facility has been returned to its prior condition.

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:	APR 11 2012
Date:	04/02/2012	Expiration Date:	N/A
Phone:	432-212-2399	Conditions of Approval:	N/A
		Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

*2PA-1092*

## **Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2012 10:30 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Jim Amos office (jamos@blm.gov); Terry Gregston (tgregsto@blm.gov)  
**Subject:** C-141 Initial/Final Report - Loco Hills SWD 35 #1 Facility  
**Attachments:** LOCO HILLS SWD 35 #1 FACILITY -- DATE OF RELEASE -- 03-17-2012.pdf

Please see attached a C-141 Initial/Final Report for a release that occurred inside a lined facility. We waited today now to send the report to ensure the field work has been completed. I spoke with our SWD Forman in that area and he said the crews finished the cleanup yesterday evening.

Thank you,

### **Joshua Russo**

HSE Coordinator  
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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2012 9:26 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Release notification - Loco Hills SWD #1 (Lined Facility)

Mr. Bratcher,

Please see below the detailed description for a release that occurred on 03/17/2012:

On 3-17-12, at 2:45 p.m., a power failure combined with a bad check valve caused a suction hose failure to occur at the Loco Hills SWD #1. This caused an 80bbl spill of produced water. All fluids were contained within the lined dike and all 80bbls were recovered. Contaminated gravel will be cleaned or replaced as necessary. Power was restored, the check valve replaced, and the suction hose repaired before returning the SWD to service. We will follow up with a C-141 Initial / Final Report.

GPS coordinates, legal description, and driving directions below:

N 32\* 47.100 W 103\* 55.140

Loco Hills SWD #1

Unit P, Sec.36-T17S-R30E

660' FSL & 860' FEL

Eddy County, NM

API #30-015-31635

From HWY 82, East of Loco Hills to CR 222, T/S 2.2 miles, T/W .8 miles to "Y", veer left 1.2 miles, T/N .2 miles to Battery

Thank you,

### Joshua Russo

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