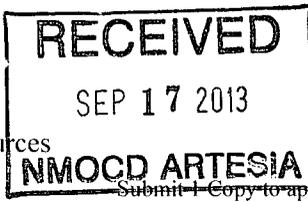


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Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

*nJMW* 1326347736  
**OPERATOR**  Initial Report  Final Report  
 Name of Company: Linn Operating *269324* Contact: Brian Wall  
 Address: 2130 W. Bender Hobbs, NM 88240 Telephone No.: 575-738-1739  
 Facility Name: HE West B 50 Facility Type: Oil Producer  
 Surface Owner: Federal Mineral Owner: API No.: 3001527109

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter N	Section 03	Township 17S	Range 31E	Feet from the 50	North/South Line South	Feet from the 1400	East/West Line West	County Eddy
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Latitude: 32.85653 Longitude: -103.86094

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release: Produced Water / Oil Volume of Release: 5.5bbls/ .5bbl Volume Recovered: 0 / 0  
 Source of Release: 3" poly pipeline Date and Hour of Occurrence: 09/09/2013 2:30pm Date and Hour of Discovery: 09/09/2013 2:30pm  
 Was Immediate Notice Given?  Yes  No  Not Required If YES, To Whom?  
 By Whom? Date and Hour  
 Was a Watercourse Reached?  Yes  No If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.  
 If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*:  
 Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*: Received call that pickup driven by Ferguson Pipeline Construction employee had driven off of road to get around truck performing pressure test on new pipeline. While crossing flowline undercarriage of pickup punctured hole in flowline for West B #50 well causing spill. Approx 6 barrels fluid released onto road and just off of road. Combination of oil and water. Approx 5.5 bbl water and .5 bbl oil. Shut in well. Used clamps to close off flowline  
 Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\* : about 100ft x 50ft area affected. Remedial action pending.

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.

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**  
 Signature: *[Signature]* Approved by District Supervisor: Signed By *[Signature]*  
 Printed Name: Brian Wall  
 Title: Construction Foreman II Approval Date: **SEP 20 2013** Expiration Date:  
 E-mail Address: bwall@linenergy.com Conditions of Approval: Remediation per OCD Rule & Guidelines, & like approval by BLM. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN:** Attached   
 Date: 09/16/2013 Phone: 806-367-0645

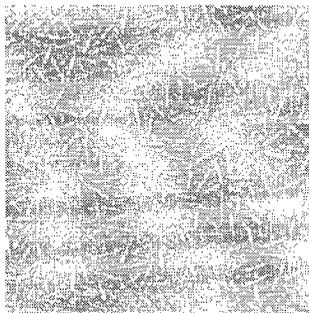
\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

**2RP-1919**  
**October 20, 2013**

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** McCracken, Theresa <TMcCracken@linnenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 17, 2013 7:46 AM  
**To:** mburton@blm.gov; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Wall, Fred; mistyh@fergusoncc.com  
**Subject:** Linn- HE West B #50 9-9-13  
**Attachments:** West B # 50 9-9-13.pdf



Attached is the initial C-141 for the above referenced location. Please contact Ferguson Construction, Misty Hein @ 575-396-3689. They will be handling the clean up.

Thank you,



*Theresa McCracken*

Field Administrator

**LINN Energy, LLC**

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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 17, 2013 2:51 PM  
**To:** 'McCracken, Theresa'; mburton@blm.gov  
**Cc:** Wall, Fred; mistyh@fergusoncc.com  
**Subject:** RE: Linn- HE West B #50 9-9-13

Theresa,

From a regulatory standpoint, Linn is the responsible party in instances like this. If Ferguson has agreed to perform remediation, that's OK, but they need to contact Mike Burton w/BLM and me to coordinate the work. Clean-up will have to be by an approved (BLM & OCD) remediation plan.

Thanks,

Mike Bratcher  
NMOCD District 2  
811 S. First Street  
Artesia, NM 88210  
O: 575-748-1283 X108  
C: 575-626-0857  
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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:16 AM  
**To:** Dade, Randy, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Sanchez, Daniel J., EMNRD; VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Loco Hills Release: Ferguson Construction Co. (Lovington) was working for Apache Co. when truck ran over Linn Energy 3 inch Poly Line w/ Crude Oil (~ 5 - 6 bbls)

Randy and Mike:

FYI: I just received a call from Cynthia with Ferguson Construction (575) 396-3689. One of their workers ran over a 3 inch poly line with crude oil in the Loco Hills area on 9/9/13 ~ 14:30. The line was owned by Linn Energy and the location was referred to as the West B-50 Spill. She called for instructions on completion of a C-141 Form, location to send it, and indicated that the spill has been cleaned up. In case you get a call, etc.

Thanks.

Carl J. Chavez, CHMM  
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Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau  
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