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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
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811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210
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1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
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NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT Form C-141
Revised August 8, 2011

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Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

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Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

Initial Report Final Report

Name of Company <i>Cimarex Energy</i> <i>215099</i>	Contact <i>Christine Alderman</i>
Address <i>600 N Marienfeld Ste 600 Midland TX</i>	Telephone No. <i>432-853-7059</i>
Facility Name <i>Vermejo SWD #1</i>	Facility Type <i>Production</i>

Surface Owner	Mineral Owner	API No. <i>30-015-40644</i>
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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
	<i>15</i>	<i>17S</i>	<i>28E</i>		<i>900</i>		<i>2530</i>	<i>Eddy</i>

Latitude *32.654322* Longitude *-104.059509*

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release – produced water and oil	Volume of Release <i>1100 bbls of PW and 250 bbls crude oil</i>	Volume Recovered <i>0</i>
Source of Release <i>tank battery</i>	Date and Hour of Occurrence <i>8/17/14</i>	Date and Hour of Discovery <i>8/17/14</i>
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? <i>Mike Bratcher</i>	
By Whom? <i>Christine Alderman</i>	Date and Hour <i>8/17/14</i>	
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.*

Lightning struck tank battery and completely burned. Much of the loss of fluids was burned off

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

Contacted local Environmental consulting agency to begin cleanup process.

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: <i>Christine Alderman</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: <i>Christine Alderman</i>	Approved by Environmental Specialist: <i>[Signature]</i>	
Title: <i>ESH Supervisor</i>	Approval Date: <i>9/19/14</i>	Expiration Date: <i>NA</i>
E-mail Address: <i>calderman@cimarex.com</i>	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: <i>8/15/14</i> Phone: <i>432-853-7059</i>	Conditions of Approval: Remediation per OCD Rule & Guidelines.	

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO
LATER THAN: *10/11/14*

22P-2501

Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

From: Christine Alderman <calderman@cimarex.com>
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2014 2:07 PM
To: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Cc: Gloria Garza
Subject: Vermejo SWD

Follow Up Flag: FollowUp
Flag Status: Flagged

Mike,

Yesterday, 8/17, we had lightning strike our Vermejo SWD (30-015-40644). The facility burn completely, and they are estimating it was holding approximately 1300 bbls of produced water and 50 bbls of oil. The release did go out into the pasture and down a lease road. I have Talon (Artesia) going to location today to assess and they will sample once it has dried a little. They will develop a work plan and submit. I will get you the C-141 as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Christine Alderman

ESH Supervisor – Permian Basin

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