

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

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

**NM OIL CONSERVATION**

ARTESIA DISTRICT

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

FEB 25 2015

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

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**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

*NAB150573333* OPERATOR  Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company <i>Cimarex Energy 1621083</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>Liberty 24 Fed #4</i>	Facility Type <i>Production</i>

Surface Owner <i>BLM</i>	Mineral Owner	API No. <i>30-015-42262</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
D	24	25S	26E	330	FNL	660	FWL	Eddy

Latitude 32.12176 Longitude -104.25277

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release <i>oil</i>	Volume of Release <i>40 bbls</i>	Volume Recovered <i>40 bbls</i>
Source of Release <i>tank</i>	Date and Hour of Occurrence <i>2/24/15 afternoon</i>	Date and Hour of Discovery <i>2/24/15 afternoon</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/Sol Hughes</i>	
By Whom? <i>Christine Alderman</i>	Date and Hour <i>2/25/15 11:00am</i>	<i>10:22 AM - e-mail</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.* <i>The drain valve on the flare scrubber was left open allowing gas to go to tank. Tanks were full enough that the gas rolling the oil caused the oil to splash out the thief hatches.</i>		
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* <i>All fluids were contained in a LINED containment and were recovered.</i>		
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>2/26/15</i>	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: <i>calderman@cimarex.com</i>	Conditions of Approval: <i>FINAL</i>	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date:	Phone: <i>432-853-7059</i>	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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**Patterson, Heather, EMNRD**

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**From:** Christine Alderman <calderman@cimarex.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 1:37 PM  
**To:** shughes@blm.gov; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Liberty 24 Fed 4  
**Attachments:** 20150225132306583.pdf

Here is the C-141.

Christine Alderman

ESH Supervisor - Permian Basin  
Mobile: 432-853-7059  
Office: 432-620-1982

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [MidlandScanner@cimarex.com](mailto:MidlandScanner@cimarex.com) [mailto:MidlandScanner@cimarex.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 1:23 PM  
**To:** Christine Alderman  
**Subject:** Message from "RNP0026732E6735"

This E-mail was sent from "RNP0026732E6735" (Aficio MP C5501).

Scan Date: 02.25.2015 13:23:06 (-0600)  
Queries to: [MidlandScanner@cimarex.com](mailto:MidlandScanner@cimarex.com)

## **Patterson, Heather, EMNRD**

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**From:** Christine Alderman <calderman@cimarex.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 10:22 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Gloria Garza  
**Subject:** Liberty 24 Fed #4 (30-015-42262)

All,

We had a release at the above named battery yesterday afternoon approximately 3pm (2/24/2015). The drain valve on the flare scrubber was left open which caused gas to flow into tanks. Tanks were full enough that the gas made the oil roll in the tank and spill out the thief hatches. Approximately 40 bbls of oil was released into a LINED containment, and all fluids were recovered.

A C-141 will be sent shortly.

Thank you!

**Christine Alderman**

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