

**NM OIL CONSERVATION**  
ARTESIA DISTRICT

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
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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

OCT 21 2015

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

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

**RECEIVED** to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**NAB1529528784**

<b>OPERATOR</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Report
Name of Company Yates Petroleum Corporation	OGRID Number 25575	Contact Robert Asher	
Address 104 S. 4 <sup>th</sup> Street		Telephone No. 575-748-1471	
Facility Name Lechuza BQC Federal #1-H		Facility Type Battery	
Surface Owner Federal	Mineral Owner Federal	API No. 30-015-38522	

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter A	Section 35	Township 26S	Range 28E	Feet from the 480	North/South Line North	Feet from the 100	East/West Line East	County Eddy
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Latitude 32.00512 Longitude 104.04918

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release Produced Water	Volume of Release 200 B/PW	Volume Recovered 200 B/PW
Source of Release Water Knockout	Date and Hour of Occurrence 10/11/2015; AM <u>8:30 AM</u>	Date and Hour of Discovery 10/11/2015; AM
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Mike Bratcher/NMOCD II	
By Whom? Robert Asher/Yates Petroleum Corporation	Date and Hour 10/12/2015; AM (Email)	
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.\*

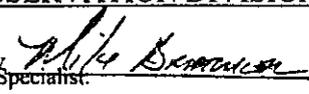
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

A check valve on a water knockout failed, causing the release. Vacuum truck(s) and roustabout crews were called.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

An approximate area of 50'X 50'. Problems with the knockout were corrected and vacuum trucks were called, recovering all of the released produced water (Battery is bermed and lined). **Depth to Ground Water: 50-99' (approximately 70', per ChevronTexaco Trend Map), Wellhead Protection Area: No, Distance to Surface Water Body: >1000', SITE RANKING IS 10. Based on all volumes of produced water recovered, battery is bermed and lined, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests closure.**

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: Robert Asher	Signed By  Approved by Environmental Specialist:	
Title: NM Environmental Regulatory Supervisor	Approval Date: <u>10/22/15</u>	Expiration Date: <u>NIA</u>
E-mail Address: boba@yatespetroleum.com	Conditions of Approval: <b>FINAL</b>	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: October 21, 2015	Phone: 575-748-4217	2RP-

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

**2RP-334B**

**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Bob Asher <BobA@yatespetroleum.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 21, 2015 4:47 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Form C-141 Initial/Final Report (Lechuza BQC Federal #1-H)  
**Attachments:** Lechuza BQC Federal 1H (10-21-2015).pdf

Thank you.

**Robert Asher**  
**NM Environmental Regulatory Supervisor**  
**Yates Petroleum Corporation**  
105 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Artesia, NM 88210  
575-748-4217 (Office)  
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**Patterson, Heather, EMNRD**

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**From:** Bob Asher <BobA@yatespetroleum.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 12, 2015 7:51 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD; Dade, Randy, EMNRD; jamos@blm.gov  
**Cc:** Amber Griffin; Chase Settle; Katie Parker; Veronica Alvarado  
**Subject:** Release Notification (Lechuza BQC Federal #1-H)

**Yates Petroleum Corporation is reporting a release at the following location (10/11/2015, 8:30 AM).**

Lechuza BQC Federal #1-H  
30-015-38522  
Section 35, T26S-R28E  
480 FNL & 100 FEL  
Eddy County, New Mexico

**Released: 200 B/PW; Recovered: 200 B/PW.**

Cause of the release was a check valve that failed on the water side of a knockout within the bermed and lined battery. The well was shut in and vacuum truck(s) were called. A Form C-141 with complete information will be submitted.

Thank you.

**Robert Asher**  
**NM Environmental Regulatory Supervisor**  
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