

**NM OIL CONSERVATION**

ARTESIA DISTRICT

DEC 17 2015

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

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

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

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Submitted by Appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**NAB1535240852**

**OPERATOR**

Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company	Chevron USA <b>4323</b>	Contact	Stephen Gwin
Address	1616 W. Bender Blvd, Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.	575-408-0073
Facility Name	Lotus Federal #4 Battery	Facility Type	Battery

Surface Owner	BLM	Mineral Owner		API No.	30-015-27593
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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
J	9	24S	31E	2310	South	2310	East	Eddy County, NM

Latitude N 32.23087° Longitude W 103.78120°

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release	Oil and Produced water	Volume of Release	0.9 bbls oil, 15 bbls produced water	Volume Recovered	0.75 bbls oil, 14.5 bbls produced water
Source of Release	Test separator overflow due to dump valve failure	Date and Hour of Occurrence	12/10/2015 @ 10:00 am	Date and Hour of Discovery	12/10/2015 @ 10:00 am
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?			
By Whom?		Date and Hour			
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 dump valve failure caused a test separator to overflow and leak 0.9 bbls of oil and 15 bbls of produced water onto the ground inside the berm. A vacuum truck recovered 0.75 bbls oil and 14.5 bbls produced water. The valve was reset/replaced.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*  
The areas affected were approximately 35' x 11' inside the berm on location and an additional overspray area measuring approximately 19' x 11' on the north side of the battery. Remediation will be completed in accordance with the remediation plan approved by NMOCD and the BLM.

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>Stephen Gwin</i>	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name:	Stephen Gwin	Signed By <i>Mike [Signature]</i> Approved by Environmental Specialist.	
Title:	HES Specialist	Approval Date:	12/18/15
E-mail Address:	Stephen.gwin@chevron.com	Expiration Date:	N/A
Date:	12/17/2015	Conditions of Approval:	Remediation per O.C.D. Rules & Guide <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reached <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone:	575-408-0073	<b>SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO</b>	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

LATER THAN: 11/18/15

2RP-3459

**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Jennifer Gilkey <jgilkey@bbcinternational.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 17, 2015 1:51 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Tucker, Shelly; Cliff Brunson ; Ken Swinney; Kathy Purvis  
**Subject:** Initial C-141, Lotus Federal #4 Battery  
**Attachments:** Initial C-141 - Lotos Fed 4.pdf

Attached is the initial C-141 for a leak that occurred at the Lotus Federal #4 Battery on 12/10/2015 in Eddy County, NM. Receipt notification via email is greatly appreciated.

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*Jennifer Gilkey*

*Administrative Manager*

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