

NM OIL CONSERVATION
ARTESIA DISTRICT

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
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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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

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accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

4AB1030845765 Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

X Initial Report

Final Report

Name of Company: Agave Energy Company	Contact Kerry Egan
Address 326 West Quay Artesia, NM 88210	Telephone No. 575 513-8988
Facility Name: Catclaw Battery	Facility Type: Production Facility/Tank Battery

Surface Owner: State of NM	Mineral Owner	API No.
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section 2	Township 20S	Range 24E	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County EDDY
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Latitude 32.604793 Longitude -104.552002

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: Condensate, natural gas	Volume of Release: 5-7 bbls of condensate. Incidental gas: < 50mcf	Volume Recovered: 2-3 bbls of liquids
Source of Release: Blow-down valve	Date and Hour of Occurrence: 10/28/16 4:30PM	Date and Hour of Discovery: 10/28/16 4:30PM
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 12" steel main gathering line had been blown down for maintenance and upgrades for several weeks. On Friday 10/28/16 afternoon Agave pipeline personnel were completing work to bring this line back into service, and to return the production locations back to service. During this process a blow down valve on Agave's meter run located within YPC/EOG's Catclaw Battery, was mistakenly left open. When the gathering lateral was pressured up, a small volume of liquids, estimated to be no more than 5-7 bbls of line condensate, along with an incidental amount of gas, was released from this valve. Agave personnel were close to the battery when the release was occurred and were able to take immediate action to shut the line in, and prevent further release. A vacuum truck working at a separate location nearby was able to be called in immediately, to recover as much liquid as possible (2-3 bbls was ultimately recovered).

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

The liquids were contained from spreading out horizontally by the caliche berm that the meter run is located in. The total area is approximately 40' x 15' by no more than 4"-6" in depth. Due to the release being located on YPC/EOG's facility, Agave will not attempt to remediate on site. Rather we will excavate the contaminated soil and dispose of it at an NMOCD landfill. Clean fill material will be brought in to replace the material removed, and rebuild the section of the caliche berm that was removed during clean up.

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>Kerry Egan</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: Kerry Egan	Signed By: <i>Mike Brandon</i>	Approved by Environmental Specialist:
Title: Engineering Tech	Approval Date: <i>11/3/16</i>	Expiration Date: <i>N/A</i>
E-mail Address: KEgan@agaveenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date: 10/31/2016	Phone: 575 810-6020	

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

From: Kerry Egan <KEgan@agaveenergy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2016 3:01 PM
To: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Subject: Catclaw Battery Release Notification
Attachments: 2016Nov1_CatclawBattery_NotificationDocuments.pdf

Mike,

I apologize for the delay, but here is the notification paperwork for the Catclaw Battery release that I left the message on yesterday morning. We've already begun, and have almost completed the cleanup work at the battery. The contamination didn't penetrate the caliche very much (4-6") so we've been able to scrape it up fairly quickly. I plan to collect closure samples tomorrow and I'll get those to you as soon as I can.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Thanks,
Kerry Egan
EH&S Department



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