

**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  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

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

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 | WPX Energy Inc/RKI   | Contact        | Karolina Blaney |
| Address         | 5315 Buena Vista Dr. | Telephone No.  | 970 589 0743    |
| Facility Name:  | RDX 28-9H            | Facility Type: | Well Pad        |
| Surface Owner:  | Federal              | Mineral Owner: | Federal         |
|                 |                      | API No.        | 30- 015-43294   |

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

| Unit Letter | Section | Township | Range | Feet from the | North/South Line | Feet from the | East/West Line | County |
|-------------|---------|----------|-------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| C           | 28      | 26S      | 30E   | 360           | FNL              | 1345          | FWL            | Eddy   |

**Latitude:** 32.030564 N **Longitude:** -103.8912511 W

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| Type of Release. Produced Water and Oil  | Volume of Release: 85 Bbls  | Volume Recovered: 75 Bbls                             |
| Source of Release<br>Vapor Recovery Unit   | Date and Hour of Occurrence<br>11/4/2016  | Date and Hour of Discovery<br>11/4/2016 - 8:30 hrs MT |
| Was Immediate Notice Given?<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required | If YES, To Whom?<br>NMOCD Heather Patterson & Michael Bratcher, BLM Shelly Tucker |   |
| By Whom? Karolina Blaney   | Date and Hour: 11/05/16- 11:13 hrs MT   |   |
| Was a Watercourse Reached?<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  | If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.<br>N/A                                  |   |

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\* N/A

**Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\***

The cause of this spill is mechanical failure. The dump on the separator was not functioning properly and sent water to the vapor recovery tower (VRT) causing the filtration system on the vapor recovery unit (VRU) to clog with debris. A pressure relief valve (PRV) on the VRU popped off allowing oil and water to spill on location. The spill has not left the pad.

**Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\***

Vacuum trucks were dispatched to the location; approximately 15 bbls of water and 60 bbls oil were recovered from the pad's surface. The impacted area was mapped with Trimble. The impacted areas will be sampled for BTEX, TPH, and chlorides in accordance with NM OCD Guidelines for Remediation of Leaks, Spills, and Releases. Further remediation will be based on the delineation results.

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.

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|--|---|--|
| Signature: <i>Karolina Blaney</i>            | <b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>  |  |
| Printed Name: Karolina Blaney                | Signed By <i>Mike Bratcher</i><br>Approved by Environmental Specialist: |  |
| Title: Environmental Specialist              | Approval Date: <i>11/21/16</i>  | Expiration Date: <i>N/A</i>                  |
| E-mail Address: Karolina.blaney@wpenergy.com | Conditions of Approval:   | Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Date: 11/17/2016                             | Phone: 970-589-0743   |  |

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

*RRP-4002*

## **Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Blaney, Karolina <Karolina.Blaney@wpxenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 17, 2016 2:25 PM  
**To:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; 'stucker@blm.gov'  
**Subject:** RE: WPX RDX 28-9H - C-141  
**Attachments:** RDX 28-9 - C-141.doc

Good afternoon,  
Attached is C-141 for the RDX 28-9H spill.  
Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions.  
Thank you,

*Karolina Blaney*  
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**From:** Blaney, Karolina  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 05, 2016 11:13 AM  
**To:** 'Patterson, Heather, EMNRD' <Heather.Patterson@state.nm.us>; 'Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD' <mike.bratcher@state.nm.us>; 'stucker@blm.gov' <stucker@blm.gov>  
**Subject:** WPX RDX 28-9H - spill notification

Good afternoon,

Here is my Friday spill notification: On 11/4/16 WPX had a spill at the RDX 28-9H well pad, API # 30-015-43294; T26S R30E S28. Approximately 15 bbls of water and 60 bbls oil were recovered from the pad's surface. The cause of this spill is mechanical failure. The dump on the separator was not functioning properly and sent water to the vapor recovery tower (VRT) causing the filtration system on the vapor recovery unit (VRU) to clog with debris. A pressure relief valve (PRV) on the VRU popped off allowing oil and water to spill on location. The spill has not left the pad. The C-141 report will be submitted within 15 days from the incident.

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Thank you and have a great weekend,

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**Patterson, Heather, EMNRD**

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