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

Form C-141  
Revised August 24, 2018  
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

Incident ID	
District RP	3RP-13664
Facility ID	
Application ID	

## Release Notification

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### Responsible Party

DISTRICT III

Responsible Party: Whiptail Midstream LLC	OGRID: 373240
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Contact email: ernie.johnson@whiptailmidstream.com	Incident #: NCS1915538225
Contact mailing address: 15 W. 6th Street, Suite 2901, Tulsa, OK 74119	

### Location of Release Source

PLS 1916856619

Latitude 36.217670° Longitude -107.513890°  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name: 208 Receiver	Site Type: Above-ground pipeline valve.
Date Release Discovered: 6/3/2019	API#: N/A

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
C	19	23N	6W	Sandoval County

Surface Owner:  State  Federal  Tribal  Private (Name: \_\_\_\_\_)

### Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls): 12.47	Volume Recovered (bbls): 0.25
<input type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Condensate	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas	Volume Released (Mcf)	Volume Recovered (Mcf)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

**Cause of Release:**

A valve installed on above ground piping had been opened by suspected cattle activity in the area.

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release? The release migrated ~150ft SW from the point of origin down-gradient into an ephemeral watercourse, impacting a portion of the watercourse along the inlet and outlet ends of a culvert installation installed underneath an adjacent roadway. Upon further investigation of the impacted area during on-going remediation efforts, the estimated amount of liquids released exceeds 25BBL; the re-evaluated estimated volume of the release has been updated in the "Nature and Volume of Release" section of this form.
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If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?  
 Notification was provided to the OCD by HRL Compliance Solutions (Gunnar Westerman – Project Lead) within 24hrs of discovering the release. Cory Smith (Environmental Specialist) was notified verbally and Jim Griswold (Environmental Bureau Chief) was notified by e-mail. "Emmanuel" Abiodun Adeloje (Natural Resource Specialist – BLM) was also notified verbally and by e-mail on 6/3/19.

### Initial Response

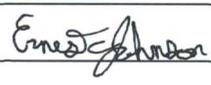
*The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury*

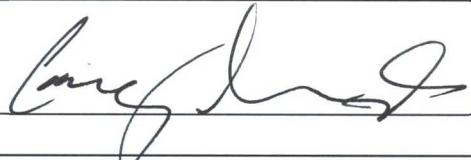
- The source of the release has been stopped.
- The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.
- Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.
- All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.

If all the actions described above have not been undertaken, explain why:

Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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.

Printed Name: Ernie Johnson Title: Director of Risk and Engineering Services  
 Signature:  Date: 6/14/19  
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**OCD Only**  
 Received by:  Date: 6/17/19



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**RELEASE ID#: NCS1915538225**

**REMEDIAL ACTIONS CONDUCTED: 06/03/19 – 06/14/19**

**Discovery - 06.03.19:** A local production technician informed Whiptail personnel of the release mid-morning on 06/03/19. The source of the release was determined to be a valve that was already secure upon identification by Whiptail personnel. Remedial actions were undertaken immediately upon discovery of the release on 06/03/2019. A Form C-138 was filed and approved for disposal of impacted soils at Envirotech Landfarm and an emergency One-Call was issued for the areas within and adjacent to the visually impacted areas.

**06.03.19 – 06.14.19:** Hand Crews immediately began excavating and removing soils from the adjacent ephemeral drainage that were observed to be visually impacted or produced strong odors. Upon the arrival of excavation equipment, a berm was constructed across the ephemeral drainage immediately up-gradient and down-gradient from the impacted portion of the drainage to temporarily isolate the impacted area from potential flows occurring within the drainage. A hydro-vac unit and power washer were utilized to clean two culvert installations that had accumulated oil during the initial release. The outlet sections of both culvert installations were temporarily removed in order to remediate areas beneath the culverts along the outlet portion. Remediation efforts were focused on the ephemeral drainage and then continued N and NE towards the point of origin. Mechanical excavation of impacted soil continued on 06/06/19, and was guided utilizing field screening equipment (Dexsil Petro Flag and Photo Ionization Detector). The excavation area resulting from remediation efforts is secured with safety fencing and strategic placement of heavy equipment when the site is not active. Remediation activities are on-going at the site until clean-up has occurred.

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