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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate
District Office in accordance
with Rule 116 on back
side of form

Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

Initial Report Final Report

Name of Company	New Mexico Salt Water Disposal	Contact	Will Palmer
Address	PO Box 1518, Roswell, NM 88202	Telephone No.	505.396.5391
Facility Name	Whitten Salt Water Disposal Tank Battery	Facility Type	saltwater disposal tank battery
Surface Owner	State of New Mexico	Mineral Owner	State of New Mexico
		Lease No.	

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
	10	20S	34E	1800	North	990	East	Lea

Latitude _____ Longitude _____

NATURE OF RELEASE

WTR 125'

Type of Release	produced water	Volume of Release	300 bbls	Volume Recovered	150 bbls
Source of Release	lightning strike at tank battery caused explosion and ensuing fire	Date and Hour of Occurrence	07.21.07 1600 hours	Date and Hour of Discovery	07.21.07 1600 hours
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Mark Whitaker, OCD		
By Whom?	Joe Tovar	Date and Hour	07.21.07 0900 hours		
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.*
Lightning struck the tank battery containing approximately 300 barrels of produced water and exploded one tank while igniting the other two tanks on location. The entire facility was deemed a loss. The vast majority of the produced water was dissipated in the ensuing fire. Contaminated material was gathered and removed from the location and taken to an approved land farm.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*
The affected area covered 150 ft by 150 ft. The contaminated material was removed to a depth of 2" below surface and was shipped to an aerated land farm. Fresh, uncontaminated material was placed in the affected area and the berms around the tank battery rebuilt. A new 20 ml plastic liner will be installed under the tank battery being reconstructed.

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>William V. Palmer</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: William V. Palmer	Approved by District Supervisor: <i>[Signature]</i>	
Title: Superintendent	Approval Date: 7.26.07	Expiration Date: 9.23.07
E-mail Address: readandstevensinc@leaco.net	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: July 25, 2007 Phone: 505.396.5391	SUBMIT CLOSURE C-141	

• Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

W/ SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION BY *[Signature]*

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