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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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**NMOCD ARTESIA**

Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003  
2 Copies to appropriate  
Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
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Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company Yates Petroleum Corporation	OGRID Number 25575	Contact Amanda Trujillo
Address 104 S. 4 <sup>th</sup> Street	Telephone No. 575-748-1471	
Facility Name Medano VA Battery	API Number 30-015-20423	Facility Type Oil well
	Order Number 2RP-	

Surface Owner State	Mineral Owner State	Lease No. K-1341
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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
K	16	23S	31E	1947	South	1986	West	EDDY

Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release OIL/PRODUCED WATER	Volume of Release 3 OIL 2PW	Volume Recovered 0
Source of Release Valve got stuck open filling separator	Date and Hour of Occurrence 7/29/10 11:00 am	Date and Hour of Discovery 7/29/2010 - am
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Mike Bratcher - NMOCD/Artesia	
By Whom? Amanda Trujillo - Yates Petroleum Corporation	Date and Hour 08:25/2010 pm	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse N/A	
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully * N/A		

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*  
Dump valve got stuck open filling separator and causing discharge out top of pop-off. Shoveled contaminated soil into piles on top of plastic.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*  
An approximate size of 7' x 7' was impacted. The impacted area is located near the separator. Soil from the pooling areas were excavated and placed on plastic. The impacted area was cleaned up immediately before further impact could result. **Depth to Ground Water: <100' (approx. 100', per New Mexico Office of the State Engineer); Wellhead Protection Area: No; Distance to Surface Water Body: >1000'; SITE RANKING IS 0. Based on site ground water quality and enclosed analytical 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.

Signature <i>A Trujillo</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name Amanda Trujillo	Signed By <i>Mike Bratcher</i>	
Title Environmental Scientist	Approved by District Supervisor:	
E-mail Address atrujillo@yatespetroleum.com	Approval Date SEP 30 2010	Expiration Date N/A
Date Tuesday, September 14, 2010	Conditions of Approval: <i>Final</i>	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone 575-748-1310		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

NMLB 1027341078  
PMLB 1027341582

## **Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Amanda Trujillo [atrujillo@yatespetroleum.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 29, 2010 2:40 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** FW: Medrano VA Battery  
**Attachments:** Medano VA Battery (Initial and Final 9-03-2010).pdf

Mr. Bratcher:

Attached is an Initial and Final C-141 requesting closure. The release was 5 bbls and was addressed immediately.

Thank you,

**Amanda N. Trujillo**  
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Yates Petroleum Corporation  
Office 575-748-4310  
Cell 575-703-6537  
Email [atrujillo@yatespetroleum.com](mailto:atrujillo@yatespetroleum.com)

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Amanda Trujillo  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2010 4:33 PM  
**To:** 'Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD'  
**Cc:** Jerry Fanning  
**Subject:** Medrano VA Battery

Mr. Bratcher:

With all the recent craziness around here I did not get this reported to you. I'm very sorry for this delay. Yates Petroleum reports a release at the following location:

Medrano VA Battery  
Section 16, Township 23 South, Range 31 East  
Eddy County  
Date of Release: 7/28//2010  
Approximately 3 barrels of oil and 2 barrels of water were released 0 barrels recovered  
Cause of release has been isolated and repairs are in progress  
Contaminated material was immediately excavated and disposed of at an NMOCD approved facility.  
Site will be evaluated and a work plan for remediation will be submitted for consideration.

If you should have any questions please feel free to contact me at the number below.

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