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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

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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 Yates Petroleum Corporation	OGRID Number 25575	Contact Robert Asher	<i>changed to 30-015-</i>
Address 104 S. 4 <sup>TH</sup> Street		Telephone No. 575-748-1471	<i>38665</i>
Facility Name Melson ZS Federal #1	API Number 30-015-25171	Facility Type Battery	<i>release is just north of Pump Jack at</i>
Surface Owner Federal	Mineral Owner Federal	Lease No. NM-31649	

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
P	8	26S	30E	560	South	660	East	Eddy

Latitude 32.05132 Longitude 103.89634

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release Produced Water	Volume of Release 30 B/PW	Volume Recovered 5 B/PW
Source of Release Water Pump	Date and Hour of Occurrence 8/30/2009 AM	Date and Hour of Discovery 8/30/2009 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 District II	
By Whom? Robert Asher/YPC Environmental	Date and Hour 9/1/2009 PM, Voicemail & E-mail	
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.\*  
Water pump at battery was stolen, causing water tank to overflow. Vacuum truck called.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*  
An approximate area of 60' X 10' inside bermed battery, small amount outside battery. Produced water picked up. Vertical and horizontal delineation samples will be taken and analysis ran for TPH & BTEX (chlorides results for documentation, YPC will delineate to try and show decreasing levels of chlorides). If initial analytical results for TPH & BTEX are under RRAL's a Final Report, C-141 will be submitted to the OCD requesting closure. Yates had a contractor excavate/haul 18" of impacted soils from both release areas (inside battery and south of battery), re-sampled on 2/18/2010, results are below RRAL's for the site ranking. **Depth to Ground Water: >100' (approximately 173', per the New Mexico Office of the State Engineer), Wellhead Protection Area: No, Distance to Surface Water Body: >1000', SITE RANKING IS 0. Based on impacted soils excavated and enclosed analytical results, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests closure.**

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:	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b> <b>Accepted for record</b> <b>NMOCD</b> <i>10/14/10</i>	
Printed Name: Robert Asher	Approved by District Supervisor:	
Title: Environmental Regulatory Agent	Approval Date: _____	Expiration Date: _____
E-mail Address: boba@yatespetroleum.com	Conditions of Approval: <i>2RP. Deferral until site abandonment.</i>	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2010 Phone: 575-748-4217		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

*This battery is closed - location just north of 30-015-38665*