Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS 3 and Field Office Attached Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposal The Sia 5. Lease Serial No.

Office Attached Office O Serial No.

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2					7. If Unit or CA/Agr 8910138010	reement, Name and/or No.
Type of Well ☐ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☑ Other: INJECTION					8. Well Name and No MultipleSee At	
Name of Operator Contact: ISABEL HUDSON APACHE CORPORATION E-Mail: Isabel.Hudson@apachecorp.com					9. API Well No. MultipleSee	Attached
3a. Address 303 VETERANS AIRPARK LA MIDLAND, TX 79705	(include area code) 8.1142		10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area ABO EMPIRE			
Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T. MultipleSee Attached			11. County or Parish			
12. CHECK THE AP	PROPRIATE BOX(ES)	TO INDICA	ΓΕ NATURE O	F NOTICE,	REPORT, OR OT	THER DATA
TYPE OF SUBMISSION			TYPE OF	ACTION		
Subsequent Report Subsequent Report Final Abandonment Notice Final Abandonment Notice Subsequent Report Final Abandonment Notice Subsequent Report S	Illy or recomplete horizontally, Ik will be performed or provide operations. If the operation resondant moment Notices must be file nal inspection. sion to flare gas from the D17. A combined total of a se will be measured prior to	☐ New ☐ Plug ☐ Plug ☐ Plug Int details, includ give subsurface the Bond No. or ults in a multiple d only after all Empire Abo approximately to flaring.	raulic Fracturing Construction and Abandon Back ing estimated starting locations and measu a file with BLM/BIA e completion or recorrequirements, includ Unit D-40 Federa	Reclama Recomp Tempora Water D g date of any pred and true vet Required sub- mpletion in a n ing reclamation al Battery y will be flare	nrily Abandon isposal oposed work and apprical depths of all per sequent reports must be winterval, a Form 3 h, have been completed	tinent markers and zones. be filed within 30 days 160-4 must be filed once
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14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Electronic Submission #358880 verified by the BLM Well Information System For APACHE CORPORATION, sent to the Carlsbad Committed to AFMSS for processing by DEBORAH MCKINNEY on 12/13/2016 (17DLM0377SE)						
Name (Printed/Typed) ISABEL F	IUDSON		Title REG-AN	*APPI	ROVED	
Signature (Electronic S			Date 11/23/2			
THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE9 2017						
Approved By MUSTAFA HAQUE Conditions of approval, if any, are attached certify that the applicant holds legal or equivalent would entitle the applicant to condu	itable title to those rights in the	not warrant or subject lease	TitlePETROLE BI Office Carlsbac	JREAU OF LA CARLSBAD	MANAGEMEN FIELD OFFICE	Date 02/09/2017

Additional data for EC transaction #358880 that would not fit on the form

5. Lease Serial No., continued

NMLC062407 STATE

Wells/Facilities, continued

Agreement	Lease	Well/Fac Name, Number	API Number	Location
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO D 40	30-015-01555-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E SESE 660FSL 660FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO D 38	30-015-01550-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E SESW 330FSL 2310FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 363	30-015-22804-00-S1	Sec 34 T17S R28E NENE 650FNL 120FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO C 37	30-015-01557-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E NWSW 1650FSL 990FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO D 37	30-015-01551-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E SWSW 500FSL 820FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 372	30-015-22203-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NWNW 100FNL 1291FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO F 373	30-015-22805-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E SWNW 1820FNL 150FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO F 375	30-015-22772-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E SWNW 1780FNL 1175FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO F 376	30-015-22786-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E SWNW 1335FNL 700FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 38	30-015-01736-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NENW 660FNL 1980FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 382	30-015-21822-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NENW 1175FNL 1316FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO F 382	30-015-22776-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E SENW 2400FNL 1600FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO F 383	30-015-22806-00-S1	Sec 35 T17\$ R28E SENW 1600FNL 2350FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 384	30-015-22766-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NENW 660FNL 1400FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO C 39	30-015-01554-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E NWSE 1650FSL 1980FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO D 39	30-015-01552-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E SWSE 330FSL 1980FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 391	30-015-21826-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NWNE 135FNL 2567FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO F 391	30-015-22911-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E SWNE 1545FNL 1625FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 393	30-015-22819-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NWNE 135FNL 2567FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO E 395	30-015-22843-00-S1	Sec 35 T17S R28E NWNE 75FNL 1820FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO C 40	30-015-01556-00-S1	Sec 26 T17S R28E NESE 1650FSL 660FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO C 42	30-015-01534-00-S1	Sec 25 T17S R28E NESW 1650FSL 2310FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO UNIT 420	30-015 - 39012-00-\$1	Sec 26 T17S R28E SESW 960FSL 1570FWL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO C 43	30-015-01538-00-S1	Sec 25 T17S R28E NWSE 1650FSL 1980FEL
NMNM70945X	STATE	EMPIRE ABO C 46	30-015-03194-00-S1	Sec 30 T17S R29E NESW 2314FSL 1256FWL
NMNM70945X	NMLC062407	EMPIRE ABO C 47	30-015-03193-00-S1	Sec 30 T17S R29E NWSE 2150FSL 2310FEL
NMNM70945X	NMLC062407	EMPIRE ABO C 48	30-015-03192-00-S1	Sec 30 T17S R29E NESE 1980FSL 990FEL

32. Additional remarks, continued

30-015-21822 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #382	30-015-21826 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #391
30-015-22203 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #372	30-015-22766 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #384
30-015-22772 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #375	30-015-22776 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #382
30-015-22786 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #376	30-015-22804 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #363
30-015-22805 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #373	30-015-22806 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #383A
30-015-22819 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #393	30-015-22843 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #395
30-015-22911 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #391A	30-015-39012 EMPIRE ABO UNIT #420

Revisions to Operator-Submitted EC Data for Sundry Notice #358880

Operator Submitted

Sundry Type:

FLARE

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Lease:

NMLC065478B

Agreement:

NMNM70945X

Operator:

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Location:

State: County:

EDDY

Field/Pool:

EMPIRE; ABO (22040)

Well/Facility:

EMPIRE ABO UNIT D 40

Sec 26 T17S R28E

BLM Revised (AFMSS)

FLARE

NOI

NMLC062407

STATE

8910138010 (NMNM70945X)

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EMPIRE ABO UNIT 420

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 575-234-5972

> Apache Corporation Empire Abo Unit D 40 NMNM70945X

> > 02/09/2017

Pursuant to **NTL-4A III**, Lessees or operators are hereby authorized to vent or flare gas on a short-term basis <u>without</u> <u>incurring a royalty</u> obligation in the following circumstances:

- A. <u>Emergencies.</u> During temporary emergency situations, such as compressor or other equipment failures, relief of abnormal system pressures, or other conditions which result in the unavoidable short-term venting or flaring of gas. However, this authorization to vent or flare gas in such circumstances without incurring a royalty obligation is limited to 24 hours per incident and to 144 hours cumulative for the lease during any calendar month, except with the prior authorization, approval, ratification, or acceptance of the Supervisor.
- B. <u>Well Purging and Evaluation Tests.</u> During the unloading or cleaning up of a well during drillstem, producing, routine purging, or evaluation tests, not exceeding a period of 24 hours.
- C. <u>Initial Production Tests.</u> During initial well evaluation tests, not exceeding a period of 30 days or the production of 50 MMcf of gas, whichever occurs first, unless a longer test period has been authorized by the appropriate State regulatory agency and ratified or accepted by the Supervisor.
- D. <u>Routine or Special Well Tests.</u> During routine or special well tests, other than those cited in NTL-4A III.B and C above, only after approval by the Supervisor.

If a flaring event conforms with the requirements listed above as per NTL-4A III., the flared volumes are not royalty bearing and the operator does not need to submit a Sundry Notice. Report flared volumes as unavoidably lost on OGOR B.

Condition of Approval to Flare Gas

- 1. The first 24 hours of a <u>temporary emergency flare*</u> is considered "unavoidably lost" and is therefore royalty free. Flared volumes that are considered unavoidably lost are not to be included in Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). NTL-4A specifies no more than 24 hours per incident and no more 144 hours cumulative for the lease during any calendar month. These Volumes are not royalty bearing and shall be reported on OGOR "B" as either disposition code "21" or "22".".
- 2. Flared volumes considered to be "avoidably lost":
 - Exceeding the first 24 hours for each temporary emergency flare event (144 hours cumulative for the lease per month), well purging and evaluation test.
 - During initial well evaluation tests, exceeding a period of 30 days or the production of 50 MMcf of gas, whichever occurs first
 - Scheduled flaring operations

These flare events will require prior approval via Notice of Intent- Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Volumes flared beyond limits defined in NTL-4A are considered "avoidably lost" and will require payment of royalties, unless an exception is granted in accordance with NTL-4A.IV.B.. <u>Volumes for avoidably lost gas shall be reported on OGOR "B" reports as disposition code "08"</u>. If the operator believes that the flared volumes were "unavoidably lost" and the BLM determines them to be "avoidably lost", the operator can submit a more detailed request via Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) for an exception in accordance with NTL-4A.IV.B.. As an

- alternative to producing oil and flaring gas the operator may choose to shut the well in and avoid paying royalties on otherwise avoidably lost gas.
- 3. Approval not to exceed 90 days,(from 11/30/2016 to 01/31/2017), if flaring is still required past 90 days submit new request for approval.
- 4. Submit Subsequent Report with actual volumes of gas flared for each month gas is flared on a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Include method for volume determination and duration. Report unavoidably lost (first 24 hrs of unexpected event) and avoidably lost (exceeding the first 24 hrs or flared gas that has been approved as avoidably lost by the Authorized Officer) volumes and durations on the Subsequent Report.
- 5. In determining the volumes of gas to be reported in accordance with NTL-4A the BLM CFO requires Vent/flare gas metering to meet all requirements for a sales meter as per Federal Regulations, Onshore Order #5 and NTL 2008-01. Include meter serial number on Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5).
 - If installation of an approved gas meter is not economically feasible for continued operations. Submit Notice of Intent Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) to request an alternate method of determining gas volumes with a valid justification. Alternate methods are listed in NTL-4A. The Authorized Officer may require the installation of additional measurement equipment whenever it is determined that the present methods are inadequate to meet the purposes of this Notice.
- 6. An updated facility diagram is required within 60 days of modifications to existing facilities per Onshore Order #3.
- 7. This approval does not authorize any additional surface disturbance.
- 8. Subject to like approval from NMOCD

Regulations and Definitions

Definition: As per **NTL-4A II. A.** "Avoidably lost" production shall mean the venting or flaring of produced gas without the prior authorization, approval, ratification, or acceptance of the Supervisor and the loss of produced oil or gas when the Supervisor determines that such loss occurred as a result of (1) negligence on the part of the lessee or operator, or (2) the failure of the lessee or operator to take all reasonable measures to prevent and/or to control the loss, or (3) the failure of the lessee or operator to comply fully with the applicable lease terms and regulations, appropriate provisions of the approved operating plan, or the prior written orders of the Supervisor, or (4) and combination of the foregoing.

NTL-4A.IV.B. Oil Well Gas. Except as provided in II.C and III above, oil well gas may not be vented or flared unless approved in writing by the Supervisor. The Supervisor may approve an application for the venting or flaring of oil well gas if justified either by the submittal of (1) an evaluation report supported by engineering, geologic, and economic data which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Supervisor that the expenditures necessary to market or beneficially use such gas are not economically justified and that conservation of the gas, if required, would lead to the premature abandonment of recoverable oil reserves and ultimately to a greater loss of equivalent energy than would be recovered if the venting or flaring were permitted to continue or (2) an action plan that will eliminate venting or flaring of the gas within 1 year from the date of application.

*Temporary Emergency Flaring is defined as an unexpected situation requiring immediate action. A flaring event is considered an emergency if the occurrence is out of the operators control and the operator had less than 24 hrs notification of the event. Scheduled or routine flare events will not be considered an emergency.