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Company:	OXY USA INC	Work Order	4000501489
Field/Location :	NMSW	Sampled by:	OXY/JE
Station Name :	CORRAL COMPRESSOR STA 2 SOUTH FUEL SKID OUTLE	Sample Type :	SPOT-CYLINDER
Station Number :	NA	Sample Temperature (F):	NA
Sample Date:	2/23/22 1:30 PM	Sample Pressure (PSIG):	125
Analysis Date:	3/7/22 11:00 AM	Flow rate (MCF/Day):	NA
Instrument:	INFICON	Ambient Temperature (F):	23
Calibration/Verification Date:	3/7/2022	Sampling method:	FILL & EMPTY
Heat Trace used:	YES	Cylinder Number:	27784

NATURAL GAS ANALYSIS: GPA 2261

Components	Un-Normalized Mol%	Normalized Mol%	GPM 14.650	GPM 14.730	GPM 15.025
Hydrogen Sulfide	0.0000	0.0000			
Nitrogen	1.3240	1.3598			
Methane	75.6525	77.7008			
Carbon Dioxide	0.1877	0.1928			
Ethane	11.5036	11.8151	3.153	3.170	3.234
Propane	5.8586	6.0172	1.654	1.663	1.696
Isobutane	0.7572	0.7777	0.254	0.255	0.260
N-butane	1.6243	1.6683	0.525	0.528	0.538
Isopentane	0.2101	0.2158	0.079	0.079	0.081
N-Pentane	0.1809	0.1858	0.067	0.068	0.069
Hexanes Plus	0.0650	0.0667	0.029	0.029	0.030
Total	97.3638	100.0000			

Hexanes plus split (60%-30%-10%)

Physical Properties (Calculated)	14.650 psia	14.730 psia	15.025 psia
Total GPM Ethane+	5.761	5.792	5.908
Total GPM Iso-Pentane+	0.175	0.176	0.179
Compressibility (Z)	0.9965	0.9965	0.9964
Specific Gravity (Air=1) @ 60 °F	0.7242	0.7242	0.7243
Molecular Weight	20.911	20.911	20.911
Gross Heating Value	14.650 psia	14.730 psia	15.025 psia
Dry, Real (BTU/Ft ³)	1244.9	1251.8	1276.9
Wet, Real (BTU/Ft ³)	1223.3	1230.0	1254.7
Dry, Ideal (BTU/Ft ³)	1240.6	1247.4	1272.3
Wet, Ideal (BTU/Ft ³)	1219.0	1225.7	1250.2

Temperature base 60 °F

Comment: FIELD H2S =0 PPM

Verified by

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Petroleum Chemist

Approved by

Deann Friend
Laboratory Manager

UPSET FLARING EVENT SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATIONS FORM**Facility:** Corral 2S CS**Flare Date:** 12/27/2022**Duration of event:** 8 Hours 52 Minutes**MCF Flared:** 515**Start Time:** 12:00 AM**End Time:** 08:52 AM**Cause:** Multiple Compression Malfunctions > Extreme Freezing Conditions & Temperatures > Facility Compression Equipment Issues**Method of Flared Gas Measurement:** Gas Flare Meter**Comments:** This upset event was not caused by any wells associated with the facility.

1. Reason why this event was beyond Operator's control:

This event was caused by the sudden, unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and maintenance practices. In this case, extreme freezing weather conditions and temperatures were affecting facility compression equipment, which in turn, triggered multiple intermittent flaring occurrences to occur. The facility and its equipment were winterized as part of Oxy's usual operations practices for extreme cold weather, by having its equipment insulated and heat traced. Notwithstanding compressor engine design and operation, compressors are inherently dynamic and even the smallest alarms, false or true, can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable, and unexpected which can cause compression malfunctions to occur. Gas compressor engines are designed to operate in a precise manner and when any type of malfunction occurs, especially when brought upon by extreme weather conditions, it disrupts the gas compressor's operating manner and cuts off engine power, which in turn, prompts an automatic shutdown of the units. Prior to the simultaneous malfunctions occurring, the compressor units were working as designed and operated normally prior to the sudden and without warning malfunctions due to extreme freezing weather conditions and temperatures, affecting the facility. These intermittent flaring incidents were completely out of OXY's control to prevent from happening yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible during this event by working safely and diligently.

2. Steps Taken to limit duration and magnitude of venting or flaring:

It is OXY's policy to route its stranded gas to a flare during an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency or malfunction, as the part of the overall process or steps to take to limit duration and magnitude of flaring. Oxy personnel are in the field 24/7 and can physically see when we are flaring which in turn are communicated to additional Oxy field personnel. Internal OXY procedures ensure that upon notice of flaring, malfunction gas compressor unit and/or multiple unit shutdown alarms, increased sensor line pressure alarms, etc., field production technician personnel are promptly notified, and are instructed to assess the issue as soon as possible to take prompt corrective action and minimize emissions. Oxy production technicians must assess whether the issue or circumstance is due to damage and repair is needed, or whether there are other reasons for its cause. In this case, extreme freezing weather conditions and temperatures were affecting facility compression equipment, which in turn, triggered multiple intermittent flaring occurrences to occur. The facility and its equipment were winterized as part of Oxy's usual operations practices for extreme cold weather, by having its equipment insulated

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3. Corrective Actions taken to eliminate the cause and reoccurrence of venting or flaring:

Oxy is limited in the corrective actions to eliminate this type of cause and potential reoccurrence of flaring as notwithstanding proper gas compressor design and operation, various forms of mechanical or technical issues can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable, and unexpected which can cause compressor unit malfunctions to occur without warning or advance notice, even during extreme weather conditions and temperatures. Oxy continually strives to maintain and operate its facility equipment in a manner consistent with good practices for minimizing emissions and reducing the number of emission events. Oxy has a strong and positive compression equipment preventative maintenance program in place. The only actions that Oxy can take and handle that is within its control, is to keep continue with its compression equipment preventative maintenance program for this facility and ensure that extra insulation and heat tracers are added to potentially prevent future issues.

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DEFINITIONS

For the sake of brevity and completeness, please allow for the following in all groups of questions and for the rest of this application: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• this application's operator, hereinafter "this operator";• venting and/or flaring, hereinafter "vent or flare";• any notification or report(s) of the C-129 form family, hereinafter "any C-129 forms";• the statements in (and/or attached to) this, hereinafter "the statements in this";• and the past tense will be used in lieu of mixed past/present tense questions and statements.
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QUESTIONS

Prerequisites Any messages presented in this section, will prevent submission of this application. Please resolve these issues before continuing with the rest of the questions.	
Incident Operator	[16696] OXY USA INC
Incident Type	Flare
Incident Status	Closure Not Approved
Incident Well	Unavailable.
Incident Facility	[fAPP2126640958] CORRAL #2 SOUTH COMP STATION
Only valid Vent, Flare or Vent with Flaring incidents (selected above in the Application Details section) that are assigned to your current operator can be amended with this C-129A application.	

Determination of Reporting Requirements Answer all questions that apply. The Reason(s) statements are calculated based on your answers and may provide additional guidance.	
Was this vent or flare caused by an emergency or malfunction	Yes
Did this vent or flare last eight hours or more cumulatively within any 24-hour period from a single event	Yes
Is this considered a submission for a vent or flare event	Yes, major venting and/or flaring of natural gas.
An operator shall file a form C-141 instead of a form C-129 for a release that, includes liquid during venting and/or flaring that is or may be a major or minor release under 19.15.29.7 NMAC.	
Was there at least 50 MCF of natural gas vented and/or flared during this event	Yes
Did this vent or flare result in the release of ANY liquids (not fully and/or completely flared) that reached (or has a chance of reaching) the ground, a surface, a watercourse, or otherwise, with reasonable probability, endanger public health, the environment or fresh water	No
Was the vent or flare within an incorporated municipal boundary or withing 300 feet from an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church in existence	No

Equipment Involved	
Primary Equipment Involved	Other (Specify)
Additional details for Equipment Involved. Please specify	Emergency Flaring > Multiple Compression Malfunctions > Extreme Freezing Conditions & Temperatures > Facility Compression Equipment Issues

Representative Compositional Analysis of Vented or Flared Natural Gas Please provide the mole percent for the percentage questions in this group.	
Methane (CH4) percentage	78
Nitrogen (N2) percentage, if greater than one percent	1
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM, rounded up	0
Carbon Dioxide (C02) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
Oxygen (O2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
If you are venting and/or flaring because of Pipeline Specification, please provide the required specifications for each gas.	
Methane (CH4) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Nitrogen (N2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Hydrogen Sufide (H2S) PPM quality requirement	Not answered.
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Date(s) and Time(s)	
Date vent or flare was discovered or commenced	12/27/2022
Time vent or flare was discovered or commenced	12:00 AM
Time vent or flare was terminated	08:52 AM
Cumulative hours during this event	9

Measured or Estimated Volume of Vented or Flared Natural Gas	
Natural Gas Vented (Mcf) Details	Not answered.
Natural Gas Flared (Mcf) Details	Cause: Freeze Other (Specify) Natural Gas Flared Released: 515 Mcf Recovered: 0 Mcf Lost: 515 Mcf.
Other Released Details	Not answered.
Additional details for Measured or Estimated Volume(s). Please specify	Gas Flare Meter
Is this a gas only submission (i.e. only significant Mcf values reported)	Yes, according to supplied volumes this appears to be a "gas only" report.

Venting or Flaring Resulting from Downstream Activity	
Was this vent or flare a result of downstream activity	No
Was notification of downstream activity received by this operator	Not answered.
Downstream OGRID that should have notified this operator	Not answered.
Date notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	
Time notified of downstream activity requiring this vent or flare	Not answered.

Steps and Actions to Prevent Waste	
For this event, this operator could not have reasonably anticipated the current event and it was beyond this operator's control	True
Please explain reason for why this event was beyond this operator's control	This event was caused by the sudden, unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and maintenance practices. In this case, extreme freezing weather conditions and temperatures were affecting facility compression equipment, which in turn, triggered multiple intermittent flaring occurrences to occur. The facility and its equipment were winterized as part of Oxy's usual operations practices for extreme cold weather, by having its equipment insulated and heat traced. Notwithstanding compressor engine design and operation, compressors are inherently dynamic and even the smallest alarms, false or true, can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable, and unexpected which can cause compression malfunctions to occur. Gas compressor engines are designed to operate in a precise manner and when any type of malfunction occurs, especially when brought upon by extreme weather conditions, it disrupts the gas compressor's operating manner and cuts off engine power, which in turn, prompts an automatic shutdown of the units. Prior to the simultaneous malfunctions occurring, the compressor units were working as designed and operated normally prior to the sudden and without warning malfunctions due to extreme freezing weather conditions and temperatures, affecting the facility. These intermittent flaring incidents were completely out of OXY's control to prevent from happening yet OXY made every effort to control and minimize emissions as much as possible during this event by working safely and diligently.
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I acknowledge that with this application I will be amending an existing incident file (assigned to this operator) for a vent or flare event, pursuant to 19.15.27 and 19.15.28 NMAC.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I acknowledge that amending an incident file does not replace original submitted application(s) or information and understand that any C-129 forms submitted to the OCD will be logged and stored as public record.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I hereby certify the statements in this amending report are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and acknowledge that any false statement may be subject to civil and criminal penalties under the Oil and Gas Act.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I acknowledge that the acceptance of any C-129 forms by the OCD does not relieve this operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate, report, and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I acknowledge that OCD acceptance of any C-129 forms does not relieve this operator of responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
marialuna2	If the information provided in this report requires further amendment(s), submit a [C-129] Amend Venting and/or Flaring Incident (C-129A), utilizing your incident number from this event.	1/11/2023