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1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
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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

**NMOCD ARTESIA**

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

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

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**OPERATOR**☒ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

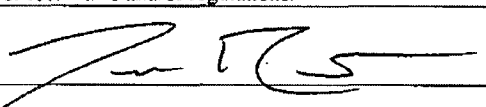
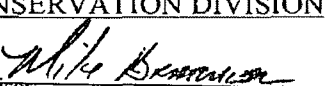
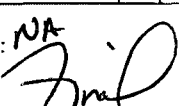
Name of Company	COG OPERATING LLC 229137	Contact	Pat Ellis
Address	550 W. Texas, Suite 100, Midland, TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-230-0077
Facility Name	Blackhawk 11 Federal Tank Battery	Facility Type	Tank Battery
Surface Owner	Federal	Mineral Owner	
		Lease No. (API#)	30-015-38250

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
M	11	16S	28E					Eddy

Latitude 32 55.905 Longitude 104 09.268

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release	Oil	Volume of Release	20bbls	Volume Recovered	18bbls
Source of Release	Valve on free water knock out	Date and Hour of Occurrence	09/17/2011	Date and Hour of Discovery	09/17/2011 7:30 a.m.
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?			
By Whom?	Date and Hour				
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.*					
The gauge on the free water knockout was cracked open allowing fluid to be released into the battery. The valve has been shut and the handle has been removed off of the valve so that it cannot be opened on accident.					
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*					
Initially 20bbls were released from the free water knock out inside the Blackhawk 11 Federal Tank Battery. The release was completely contained inside the facility walls and the facility is lined with 40mil plastic. All free fluid has been picked up and all contaminated gravel has been removed. The vessel has been steamed cleaned and fresh gravel has been added as necessary. The facility has been returned to its prior condition.					
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>			
Printed Name: Josh Russo		Signed By:  Approved by District Supervisor:			
Title: HSE Coordinator		Approval Date: OCT 13 2011		Expiration Date: NA	
E-mail Address: jrusso@conchoresources.com		Conditions of Approval: NA 		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: 09/27/2011		Phone: 432-212-2399			

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 10:20 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; 'james\_amos@nm.blm.gov'  
**Subject:** C-141 Initial / Final Report - Blackhawk 11 Federal TB  
**Attachments:** img-930121720-0001.pdf

Gentlemen,

Please see attached the C-141 Initial / Final Report for a release that occurred inside the lined facility at the Blackhawk Federal 11 Tank Battery on 09/17/2011.

Thank you,

### **Joshua Russo**

HSE Coordinator  
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