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### Release Notification and Corrective Action

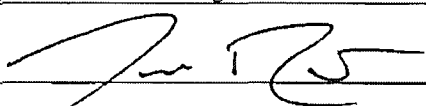
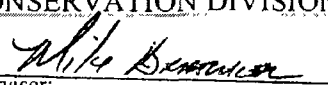
NM 451215332003		OPERATOR		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Report
Name of Company	COG OPERATING LLC 229137	Contact	Pat Ellis		
Address	550 W. Texas, Suite 100, Midland, TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-230-0077		
Facility Name	Diamondback State Tank Battery	Facility Type	Tank Battery		
Surface Owner	State	Mineral Owner	Lease No. (API#) 30-015-33203 Diamondback State #001 well		

### LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
G	28	17S	29E					Eddy

Latitude 32 48.699 Longitude 104 04.646

### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Oil	Volume of Release	39bbbls	Volume Recovered	35bbbls
Source of Release	Load line	Date and Hour of Occurrence	04/25/2012	Date and Hour of Discovery	04/25/2012 10:30 a.m.
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Mike Bratcher-OCD.		
By Whom?	Michelle Mullins	Date and Hour	04/26/2012 6:29 a.m.		
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.*					
An increase in pressure inside the load line caused the line to split releasing fluid onto the ground inside the bermed tank battery. A pressure vent has been added to the load line to prevent the buildup of pressure inside the load line in the future.					
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*					
Initially 39bbbls of oil was released from the split load line inside the Diamondback State Tank Battery. We were able to recover 35bbbls with a vacuum truck. The entire release was contained inside the bermed walls of the facility. The defective load line has been repaired. All released free fluids have been removed from the facility. Tetra Tech will sample the spill site area to delineate any possible contamination from the release and we will present a remediation work plan to the NMOCD for approval prior to any significant remediation work.					
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:			OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION		
Printed Name:	Josh Russo		Signed By:  Approved by District Supervisor:		
Title:	HSE Coordinator		Approval Date: JUN 01 2012 Expiration Date:		
E-mail Address:	jrusso@conchoresources.com		Conditions of Approval:		
Date:	05/03/2012 Phone: 432-212-2399		Remediation per OCD Rules & Guidelines. SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NOT LATER THAN: 7/1/2012		
			Attached <input type="checkbox"/>		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

Guidelines. SUBMIT REMEDIATION  
PROPOSAL NOT LATER THAN:  
7/1/2012

2RP-1140

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 03, 2012 3:45 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Tavarez, Ike; Dorey, Kim; Franklin, Tom K.  
**Subject:** C-141 Initial Report - Diamondback State Tank Battery  
**Attachments:** DIAMONDBACK STATE TANK BATTERY -- DATE OF RELEASE -- 04-25-2012.pdf

Mr. Bratcher,

Please see attached the C-141 Initial Report for a release that occurred on 04/25/2012 at our Diamondback State Tank Battery. We will assess the spill area timely.

Thank you,

### **Joshua Russo**

HSE Coordinator  
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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Michelle Mullins [MMullins@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2012 5:29 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Joshua Russo  
**Subject:** Diamondback State Tank Battery-Immediate Notification

Mr. Bratcher:

The following is a brief description of an immediately reportable release: On 4-25-12 at 10:30a.m. an oil spill was discovered at the Diamondback St. Tank Battery. Due to temperature, gas expansion caused the load line to rupture on the oil tanks. 39 bbls of oil was released and 35 bbls were recovered. All fluid remained within the unlined dike.

Approximately 6 inches of surface contaminants will be removed. The load line was repaired, a pressure vent installed, and the battery was returned to service. GPS coordinates, legal description of closest well, and driving directions below.

We will follow up with a C-141.

N 32\* 48.699 W 104\* 04.646  
GJ West COOP Unit #43  
2040' FNL & 1940' FEL,  
Sec.28-T17S-R29E  
Eddy County, B-514

From Hwy 82, T/S on Valley Gas Rd .2 miles, T/W .1 miles, T/S at GJ Water Station and proceed .4 miles to location.

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