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Oil Conservation Division  
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Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company	COG OPERATING LLC 229137	Contact	Robert McNeill
Address	600 West Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-230-0077
Facility Name	Birdseye 32 State #004H	Facility Type	Tank Battery

Surface Owner	State	Mineral Owner	Lease No. (API#) 30-015-39387
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
M	32	19S	31E					Eddy

Latitude 32.61048

Longitude 103.89886

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Oil and produced water	Volume of Release	15bbls of oil 10bbls of produced water	Volume Recovered	10bbls of oil 8bbls of produced water
Source of Release	Gasket on separator failed	Date and Hour of Occurrence	12-05-2013	Date and Hour of Discovery	12-05-2013 09:30am
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		
By Whom?	Michelle Mullins	Date and Hour	12-06-2013 07:33am		
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.\*

Back pressure on the separator caused the gasket to fail. Replace the gasket and watch the back pressure.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

Initially 15bbls of oil and 10bbls of produced water were released from the separator. We were able to recover 10bbls of oil and 8bbls of produced water with a vacuum truck. The spill was contained inside the lined facility. All free fluid has been recovered. Any contaminated gravel has been removed, the liner has been steam cleaned and we have replaced with fresh gravel as necessary. This location 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.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Signature:	<i>Robert Grubbs Jr.</i>	Approved by District Supervisor:	Signed By <i>Mike Bratcher</i>
Printed Name:	Robert Grubbs Jr.	Approval Date:	DEC 19 2013
Title:	Senior Environmental Coordinator	Expiration Date:	
E-mail Address:	rgrubbs@concho.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date:	12-11-2013	Phone:	432-661-6601

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

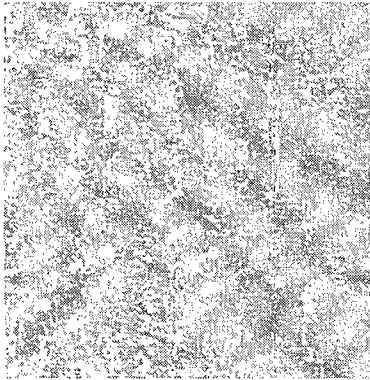
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NMOCD

2RP-2120

**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Robert Grubbs <RGrubbs@concho.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 16, 2013 7:42 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Robert McNeill  
**Subject:** C-141 Initial/Final Report - Birdseye 32 State #004H  
**Attachments:** Birdseye 32 State #004H (TB) -- Date of Release -- 12-05-2013.pdf



***Mr. Bratcher,***

***Please see attached the C-141 Initial/Final Report for a release that occurred at our Birdseye 32 State #004H on 12-05-2013 in Eddy County New Mexico. This is a lined facility.***

***Thank you,***

***Robert Grubbs Jr.  
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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Michelle Mullins <MMullins@concho.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 06, 2013 6:33 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Robert Grubbs  
**Subject:** Birdseye 32 State #4H-Immediate Notification

Mr. Bratcher:

At approximately 9:30 a.m. on 12/05/2013, a produced fluid release was discovered at the above-referenced facility. An estimated 25 bbls of produced fluid was released. The cause of the release is currently under investigation. We will follow up within 15 days with a C-141 Report. GPS coordinates, legal description and driving directions are listed below.

32.61048 103.89886

Birdseye 32 State #4H  
Unit M  
Sec 32 T19S R31E  
330' FSL & 330' FWL  
Eddy County, NM  
API 30-015-39387

From Highway 360 turn east on County Road 222. Travel 3.8 miles. Turn south and travel .2 miles to cattle guard. Turn left and travel .7 miles to facility on left.

Thank you.

Michelle Mullins  
Environmental Coordinator  
COG Operating, LLC  
(432) 934-1052  
[mmullins@concho.com](mailto:mmullins@concho.com)

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