

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

## Release Notification and Corrective Action

### OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company: <b>OXY USA Limited Partnership 192463</b>	Contact: <b>Chris Jones</b>
Address: <b>102 S. Main St. Carlsbad, NM 88220</b>	Telephone No.: <b>575-628-4121</b>
Facility Name: <b>Martha Creek Gas Com Battery</b>	Facility Type: <b>Battery</b>

Surface Owner: <b>Federal</b>	Mineral Owner:	API No.: Lease #: <b>NM D-29301</b>
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### LOCATION OF RELEASE

**30-015-10323**

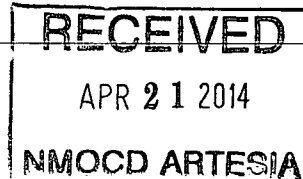
Unit Letter <b>J</b>	Section <b>30</b>	Township <b>21S</b>	Range <b>24E</b>	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County <b>Eddy</b>
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Latitude **32.447610 N** Longitude **-104.5340 W**

### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: <b>Oil</b>	Volume of Release: <b>60 bbls</b>	Volume Recovered: <b>30 bbls</b>
Source of Release: <b>Circulating Pump</b>	Date and Hour of Occurrence <b>4/8/14</b>	Date and Hour of Discovery <b>4/8/14</b>
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 - email Jennifer Van Curen @ BLM - email	
By Whom? <b>Chris Jones</b>	Date and Hour: <b>4/9/2014 9:35 am</b>	
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.\* A 1-inch valve on the circulating pump was found leaking causing 60 barrels of oil to be released within the dike of the battery. The facility was shut-in, the pump repaired and put back into service. A vacuum truck was immediately called to the location and 30 barrels of oil was recovered. Talon/LPE was contracted to perform an initial site assessment and soil sampling.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

The affected area is approximately 12' X 20'. This area impacted is within the walls of the battery.

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: <b>Chris Jones</b>		Approved by Environmental Specialist:	
Title: <b>HES Specialist</b>		Approval Date: <b>5/1/14</b>	Expiration Date: <b>NA</b>
E-mail Address: <b>Christopher.Jones@oxy.com</b>		Conditions of Approval:	
Date: <b>4/9/2014</b> Phone: <b>575-628-4121</b>		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

Remediation per OCD Rule & Guidelines, &  
like approval by BLM. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION  
PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN:**

**6/1/14**

**2RP-2272**

**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Christopher\_Jones@oxy.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 09, 2014 9:35 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; jvancure@blm.gov  
**Cc:** dadkins@talonlpe.com; kwilson@talonlpe.com  
**Subject:** Martha Creek

This is to inform you that Oxy had a leak at the Martha Creek Gas Com Battery. Oxy released approx 60 bbls of oil and was able to recover 30 bbls. The spill was contained inside the dike of the battery. An animal we are guessing a deer hit a 1" valve on the circulating pump and caused the release. Talon will be doing some initial delineation and sampling with a C141 and plan to follow.

REGULATORY LEASE # NM D-29301

SECT 30 T21S R24E

EDDY COUNTY NEW MEXICO

WEATHER CLEAR HOT

FROM CARLSBAD ON HWY 285 TAKE A LEFT ON CR137 GO TO SITTING BULLS HWY, AT Y TAKE MARATHON RD GO 3 MILES TAKE 2ND LEFT TO COMPRESSOR STATION, LEAK IS .2 MILE.

Chris Jones  
HES Specialist  
Permian Primary Production  
Carlsbad, NM  
Cell 575-499-3337  
Off 575-628-4121

"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children." Chief Seattle