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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

NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

Form C-141
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Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

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Release Notification and Corrective Action

1427528113 **OPERATOR** ☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company Yates Petroleum Corporation	OGRID Number 25575	Contact Robert Asher
Address 104 S. 4 th Street	Telephone No. 575-748-1471	
Facility Name Samuel Smith BIY Federal #1	Facility Type Battery	
Surface Owner State	Mineral Owner Federal	API No. 30-015-32581

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
I	32	23S	24E	1400	South	1170	East	Eddy

Latitude 32.25683 Longitude 104.51506

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release Produced Water	Volume of Release 120' B/PW	Volume Recovered 0 B/PW
Source of Release Production Tank	Date and Hour of Occurrence 9/12/2014; AM	Date and Hour of Discovery 9/12/2014; AM
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 II	
By Whom? Robert Asher/Yates Petroleum Corporation	Date and Hour 9/12/2014; AM	
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.*

Lightning struck the produced water tank, causing a fire and the release of the produced water in that tank. Because of heavy rains and flooding Fire Department and vacuum truck(s) were unable to reach location. The battery is to be relocated on the production pad.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

An approximate area of 20' X 50'. No produced water was recovered. Once the batter is moved the impacted soils will be excavated/hailed to an NMOCD approved facility. Vertical and horizontal delineation samples will be taken and analysis ran for TPH & BTEX (chlorides for documentation). If initial analytical results for TPH & BTEX are under RRAL's (site ranking is 0) a Final Report, C-141 will be submitted to the NMOCD requesting closure. If the analytical results are above the RRAL a work plan will be submitted to the NMOCD. Depth to Ground Water: >100' (approximately 200', per ChevronTexaco Trend Map), Wellhead Protection Area: No, Distance to Surface Water Body: >1000', SITE RANKING IS 0.

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: Robert Asher	Approved by Environmental Specialist: 	
Title: NM Environmental Regulatory Supervisor	Approval Date: <u>10/1/14</u>	Expiration Date: <u>NA</u>
E-mail Address: boba@yatespetroleum.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: October 1, 2014 Phone: 575-748-4217	Remediation per O.C.D. Rules & Guidelines	

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO
LATER THAN: 11/1/14

2RP-2516

Patterson, Heather, EMNRD

From: Bob Asher <BobA@yatespetroleum.com>
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 2:55 PM
To: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD; Dade, Randy, EMNRD
Cc: Amber Cannon; Chase Settle; Katie Parker; Manuel Gonzalez; Tanna Adams
Subject: Release Notification (Samuel Smith Unit #1)

Yates Petroleum Corporation is reporting a release at the following location (9/12/2014; AM).

Samuel Smith Unit #1
30-015-32581
Section 32, T23S-R24E
1400 FSL & 1170 FEL
Eddy County, New Mexico

Released: Approximately 120 P/W; Recovered: Not known at this time.

Cause of release was from a lightning strike at the battery. Because of heavy rains, YPC personnel, Fire Department and clean-up crews cannot get to the battery. A Form C-141 with full detailed information will be submitted.

Thank you.

Robert Asher
NM Environmental Regulatory Supervisor
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