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From: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2012 3:52 PM
To: Bailey, Jami, EMNRD; Sanchez, Daniel J., EMNRD; VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD; Dade, Randy, EMNRD
Subject: RE: Well blow out - Eddy County

Update:

Per Keith Cannon: The well is killed, secured and shut in. They are currently pressure testing – 150 lbs w/no leaks.

Mike B

From: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2012 10:03 AM
To: Bailey, Jami, EMNRD; Sanchez, Daniel J., EMNRD; VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD; Dade, Randy, EMNRD
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Update:

Per Keith Cannon, around 10:00 PM last night, the well pressure began to subside some. Throughout the night, the flow would stop for 1-1 ½ hours and flow again for 30-45 minutes. It did that intermittently throughout the night. CUDD has misters rigged up and crews are pressure washing equipment and vessels to reduce ignition potential. They hope to commence kill ops later today.

The C-141 and an accompanying letter has been submitted and may be viewed under 2RP-1057.

A correction to contact information: Brian Collins is not the EMR person. It is Clay Stevens (575-626-1965)

Mike B

From: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2012 1:10 PM
To: Bailey, Jami, EMNRD; Sanchez, Daniel J., EMNRD; VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD; Dade, Randy, EMNRD
Subject: Well blow out - Eddy County

Greetings,

At approximately 3:00 PM yesterday, Nadel & Gussman/Heyco had a blow out on their Rock Island 16 St # 1H. They were in the process of pulling the well to replace the pump and did not have the blow out preventer secured yet. The company rep stated that they had never been able to get this well to flow and were producing it via pump jack. He indicated that there was a lot of paraffin build up on the rods and speculation is that the buildup may have created a swabbing effect on the well formation causing whatever was keeping the well from flowing, to come loose. District 2 office received notification at 3:14 PM yesterday 3/7/12. Initial production tests run on the well after completion showed 500 ppm H2S, so four residences in the area were evacuated. Current tests run show only 5 ppm now. At this time, CUDD Well Control is mobilizing equipment to the site to kill the well. The residences remain evacuated and a portion of CR 34 (Old Lake Rd) is closed.

Well and contact information:

Nadel & Gussman Heyco

Rock Island 16 St 1H

30-015-38461

G-16-18s-26e Eddy County

Company Rep: Keith Cannon 575-626-1936

Company Emergency Response Person: Brian Collins 575-623-6601 (This is probably an office number for Brian – I do not have his mobile and he was on site earlier.)

Here is a link to photos taken this morning: <L:\Artesia\Pictures\18s-26e\015-38461>

Sorry about the photo quality, it was my back-up camera.

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