

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

ODD received on  
2/9/18  
District II

Form C-141  
Revised April 3, 2017

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

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

*NAB1810649782* OPERATOR  Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company Vanguard Operating, LLC <i>258350</i>	Contact Jason Fisher
Address 5847 San Felipe, STE 3000 Houston, TX 77057	Telephone No. 505-918-0523
Facility Name Welch RL State Battery	Facility Type Tank Battery

Surface Owner	Mineral Owner State	API No. 3001531916
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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
E	28	17S	28E	2310	North	430	West	Eddy

Latitude 32.8060226 Longitude -104.1879654 NAD83

**NATURE OF RELEASE** *x2 = 740 MCF*

Type of Release Gas/Emissions	Volume of Release 370 MCFD	Volume Recovered 0
Source of Release Flare	Date and Hour of Occurrence 2-3-2018	Date and Hour of Discovery N/A
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Amalia Bustamante by email	
By Whom? Chuck Johnston	Date and Hour 7:30 pm 2-3-2018	
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.\*  
N/A

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*  
Purchaser found leak on their pipeline and requested a volume reduction while making repairs. Gas was sent to flare for two days.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*  
No impact.

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: <i>Chuck Johnston</i>	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Chuck Johnston	Approved by Environmental Specialist: <i>Accepted for record</i>	
Title: EHS Specialist	Approval Date: <i>4/13/18</i>	Expiration Date: <i>N/A</i>
E-mail Address: cjohnston@vnrenergy.com	Conditions of Approval: <i>Final</i>	Attached: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>2018-04-13</i>
Date: 2-9-2018	Phone: 432-202-4771	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

*4/12/18 AB*

## Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD

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**From:** Chuck Johnston <cjohnston@vnreenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 9, 2018 9:25 AM  
**To:** Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Weekend Flaring  
**Attachments:** 2018-02-09 Flare.pdf

Crystal and Mike, please find attached the C-141's for flaring from 8 of our batteries over the weekend. Please let me know if you need anything else.

**Chuck Johnston**  
**EHS / Operations Specialist**  
**432-202-4771 Cell**  
**432-248-8154 Office**



## **Bustamante, Amalia, EMNRD**

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**From:** Chuck Johnston <cjohnston@vnreenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 3, 2018 7:41 PM  
**To:** Bustamante, Amalia, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Flaring

Amalia, I just got word we are having to flare on a few batteries due to a pipeline leak on our purchaser's line. I will complete the C-129s when I get back to the office Tuesday.

Thanks

Chuck Johnston  
EHS / Operations Specialist  
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