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State of New Mexico **Energy Minerals and Natural Resources**

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Form C-141 Revised April 3, 2017

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC. DISTRICT II-ARTESIA O.C.D.

Santa Fe, NM 87505

Release Notification and Corrective Action										
NAB 18 12846489				OPERA	ГOR	\boxtimes	Initia	al Report		Final Repor
Name of Company: XTO Energy 5380				Contact: Kyle Littrell						
Address: 522 W. Mermod, Suite 704 Carlsbad, N.M. 88220				Telephone No: 432-221-7331						
Facility Name: Nash Unit 046H				Facility Type: Exploration and Production						
Surface Owner: Federal Mineral Owner:			Federal API No: 30-01543081							
LOCATION OF RELEASE										
Unit Letter Section Township C 18 23S	Range 30E	Feet from the 700	North/ North	South Line	Feet from the 1880	East/Wes West	st Line	County Eddy		
				naituda 1			2	Ludy		
Latitude 32.310289 Longitude -103.923423 NAD83										
NATURE OF RELEASE Values of Polesco										
Type of Release Oil and produced water				Volume of Release 10.5 BO, 42 BPW			Volume Recovered 9 BO, 36 BPW			
Source of Release				Date and Hour of Occurrence			Date and Hour of Discovery			
Submersible pump				4/18/2018,		4/	4/18/2018, 1:00 PM			
Was Immediate Notice Given?				If YES, To Whom?						
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Required				Mike Bratcher and Crystal Weaver (NMOCD), Tucker Shelly and Jim Amos (BLM)						
By Whom? Kyle Littrell				Date and Hour: 4/19/2018, 9:23 AM						
Was a Watercourse Reached?			If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.							
☐ Yes ☒ No				N/A						
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Descr	ibe Fully.*									
N/A										
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*										
Release was due to nipple failure upst	ream of bac	ck pressure valve	. Well w	vas shut in wh	ille repairs were n	nade.				
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*										
Release caused fluid to spray north to south along the well pad, covering an area of 11,100 square feet. Vac truck was dispatched and recovered standing										
fluid. An environmental contractor has been retained to assist with delineation and remediation efforts.										
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I hereby certify that the information gi	iven above	is true and comp	lete to th	he best of my	knowledge and u	inderstand	that purs	suant to NM	OCD	rules and
regulations all operators are required t public health or the environment. The										
should their operations have failed to										
or the environment. In addition, NMC	OCD accept									
federal, state, or local laws and/or regu	ulations.			<u> </u>	OIL CON	CEDVA	TION	DIVICIO	146	100
				OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION						
Signature: State Must							11	,		
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Printed Name: Kyle Littrell					-101					2
Title: Environmental Coordinator	r			Approval Da	te: 6/1/18	Ex	piration	Date: //	1/4	<u> </u>
E-mail Address: Kyle Littrell@xt		Conditions	f Approvals			1				
E-mail Address: Kyle_Littrell@xtoenergy.com				Conditions of Approval: See attached Attached Attached						
Date: 5/03/2018	Phone:	22-221-7221			ou	VIII		1	VV	4120

^{*} Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

Operator/Responsible Party,

The OCD has received the form C-141 you provided on <u>5/3/2018</u> regarding an unauthorized release. The information contained on that form has been entered into our incident database and remediation case number <u>APP-4/13</u> has been assigned. Please refer to this case number in all future correspondence.

It is the Division's obligation under both the Oil & Gas Act and Water Quality Act to provide for the protection of public health and the environment. Our regulations (19.15.29.11 NMAC) state the following,

The responsible person shall complete <u>division-approved corrective action</u> for releases that endanger public health or the environment. The responsible person shall address releases in accordance with a remediation plan submitted to and approved by the division or with an abatement plan submitted in accordance with 19.15.30 NMAC. [emphasis added]

Release characterization is the first phase of corrective action unless the release is ongoing or is of limited volume and all impacts can be immediately addressed. Proper and cost-effective remediation typically cannot occur without adequate characterization of the impacts of any release. Furthermore, the Division has the ability to impose reasonable conditions upon the efforts it oversees. As such, the Division is requiring a workplan for the characterization of impacts associated with this release be submitted to the OCD District $\frac{2}{2}$ office in $\frac{ARTESIA}{ARTESIA}$ on or before $\frac{6/3/2018}{2018}$. If and when the release characterization workplan is approved, there will be an associated deadline for submittal of the resultant investigation report. Modest extensions of time to these deadlines may be granted, but only with acceptable justification.

The goals of a characterization effort are: 1) determination of the lateral and vertical extents along with the magnitude of soil contamination. 2) determine if groundwater or surface waters have been impacted. 3) If groundwater or surface waters have been impacted, what are the extents and magnitude of that impact. 4) The characterization of any other adverse impacts that may have occurred (examples: impacts on vegetation, impacts on wildlife, air quality, loss of use of property, etc.). To meet these goals as quickly as possible, the following items must, at a minimum, be addressed in the release characterization workplan and subsequent reporting:

- Horizontal delineation of soil impacts in each of the four cardinal compass directions. Adsorbed soil contamination must be characterized for the following constituents using the associated laboratory methods: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes by either Method 8260 or 8021, total petroleum hydrocarbons by Method 8015 extended range (GRO+DRO+MRO; C₆ thru C₃₆), and for chloride by Method 300. This is not an exclusive list of potential contaminants. Analyzed parameters should be modified based on the nature of the released substance(s). Soil sampling must be both within the impacted area and beyond.
- Vertical delineation of soil impacts. Adsorbed soil contamination must be characterized for the following constituents using the associated laboratory methods: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes by either Method 8260 or 8021, total petroleum hydrocarbons by Method 8015 extended range (GRO+DRO+MRO; C₆ thru C₃₆), and for chloride by Method 300. As above, this is not an exclusive list of potential contaminants and can be modified. Vertical characterization samples should be taken at depth intervals no greater than five feet apart. Lithologic description of encountered soils must also be provided. At least ten vertical feet of soils with contaminant concentrations at or below these values must be demonstrated as existing above the water table.
- Nominal detection limits for field and laboratory analyses must be provided.
- Composite sampling is not generally allowed.
- Field screening and assessment techniques are acceptable (headspace, titration, EC [include algorithm for validation purposes], EM, etc.), but the sampling and assay procedures must be clearly defined. Copies of field notes are highly desirable. A statistically significant set of split samples must be submitted for confirmatory laboratory analysis, including the laterally farthest and vertically deepest sets of soil samples. Make sure there are at least two soil samples submitted

for laboratory analysis from each borehole or test pit (highest observed contamination and deepest depth investigated). Copies of the actual laboratory results must be provided including chain of custody documentation.

- •Probable depth to shallowest protectable groundwater and lateral distance to nearest surface water. If there is an estimate of groundwater depth, the information used to arrive at that estimate must be provided. If there is a reasonable assumption that the depth to protectable water is 50 feet or less, the responsible party should anticipate the need for at least one groundwater monitoring well to be installed in the area of likely maximum contamination.
- If groundwater contamination is encountered, an additional investigation workplan may be required to determine the extents of that contamination. Groundwater and/or surface water samples, if any, must be analyzed by a competent laboratory for volatile organic hydrocarbons (typically Method 8260 full list), total dissolved solids, pH, major anions and cations including chloride and sulfate, dissolved iron, and dissolved manganese. The investigation workplan must provide the groundwater sampling method(s) and sample handling protocols. To the fullest extent possible, aqueous analyses must be undertaken using nominal method detection limits. As with the soil analyses, copies of the actual laboratory results must be provided including chain of custody documentation.
- Accurately scaled and well-drafted site maps must be provided providing the location of borings, test pits, monitoring wells, potentially impacted areas, and significant surface features including roads and site infrastructure that might limit either the release characterization or remedial efforts. Field sketches may be included in subsequent reporting, but should not be considered stand-alone documentation of the site's layout. Digital photographic documentation of the location and fieldwork is recommended, especially if unusual circumstances are encountered.

Nothing herein should be interpreted to preclude emergency response actions or to imply immediate remediation by removal cannot proceed as warranted. Nonetheless, characterization of impacts and confirmation of the effectiveness of remedial efforts must still be provided to the OCD before any release incident will be closed.

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Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD

From:

Littrell, Kyle <Kyle_Littrell@xtoenergy.com>

Sent:

Thursday, April 19, 2018 9:23 AM

To:

Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD; Tucker, Shelly; Jim Amos

Cc:

Sanders, Toady; McSpadden, Wes; Ruth, Amy; Foust, Bryan

Subject:

Release Notification - Nash 46H 4-18-18 (API 30-015-43081)

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To:

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Subject:

Initial C-141 - Nash 46H 4-18-18 (API 30-015-43081)

Attachments:

Initial C-141 - Nash Unit 46 4-18-18.pdf

Good Morning,

Attached is the initial C-141 for the referenced spill event given in the notification below. As always, thank you for your support and please call with any questions.

Respectfully,

Amy C. Ruth

Delaware Basin Division

Environmental Coordinator

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