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## State of New Mexical Resources Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-141 Revised October 10, 2003

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr. 2 8 2008
Santa Fe, NM 8 150 DDC

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REMEDIATION FOR SPILL AREA ONLY.

(GART AREA OFF PAD)

Release Notification and Corrective Action

		OPER	RATOR			X Initial Report Final Report						
						Contact: Don Robinson						
Address: 10 76102	0 Throckr	,	Telephone No.: 817-869-4128									
Facility Name: Eva Blinebry "B" Federal No. 5							Facility Type: Forced brine release at drilling unit					
	D.V	\	Federal API No.: 30-025-38574									
Surface Ow	ner. D.K.	wner:	Federal API No.: 30-025-38574									
Unit Letter   Section   Township   Range   Feet from the   North/South Line   Feet from the   East/West Line   County												
Unit Letter F	Section 34	Township 23S	Range 37E	Feet from the 1650	North/ FN		Feet from the 2310	1	WL	County Lea	-1	
				Latitude: 32.20	Longitude: 103.151395							
NATURE OF RELEASE												
Type of Release: 200,000 ppm brine release							Volume of Release: Est. 310 bbls  Volume Recovered: 260 bbls, 50 bbls. dispersed onto pad or s into off pad areas to the east.					
Source of Release: Took an H2S gas kick at 2203' which caused weld to break on three inch line from manifold to the pit causing high pressure to blow through three inch line uncontained (due to high pressure) for approximately 10 minutes.							Date and Hour of Occurrence:			Date and Hour of Discovery: 4/22/08 @ 2300 Hrs.		
Was Immediate Notice Given: X Yes  No Not Required							If YES, To Whom?					
Dr. Whom? D. Pohinson / C. Winkler							Larry Johnson, NMOCD; Jim Amos, BLM; D.K. Boyd, Rancher Date and Hour: 4/23/08 at approximately 0900 Hours					
By Whom? D. Robinson / C. Winkler Was a Watercourse Reached?							If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.					
Yes X No							N/A					
If a Watercou	rse was Imp N/A	oacted, Descri	be Fully*									
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken*□Range experienced an involuntary discharge of 200,000 ppm brine water that occurred on the Eva Blinebry "B" Federal No. 5 well (Eva No. 5) while drilling at 2,203' on April 23, 2008 at 2300 Hours. We believe that the high pressure flow (19 ppg EMW) is a result of high pressure water injection from an adjoining lease. Range has no injection on the lease. Upon drilling into the pressure on Eva No. 5, the Kelly was pulled above the rotary table and the annular preventer was closed so that the flow was transferred through the choke manifold. This high pressure caused the weld to break on the three inch line running from the manifold to the pit, which allowed the flow to be uncontained. At this point, the H2S alarms sounded and the rig crew abandoned the location while noticing that a 300 ppm reading had been detected. Subsequent controlled flow detected a reading as high as 800 ppm. The flow continued until the driller could put on an air tank and shut the well in. During this period, the hyper-charged brine water was mainly contained on the drilling pad although some of the brine flowed off the pad towards the east. The discharge, which found its way to the east of the pad areas, was either caused by a (1) limited overflow from pooling on the pad or (2) a spraying effect discharged at a high velocity into the atmosphere. There were numerous "spaghetti trails" laid down which exhibited saturation into the sandy clay only a few inches in depth on the average. Three main areas of some ponding were also identified but these ranged in depth from a few inches down to an average of approximately 2 to 3 feet, noticed only in the flare pit area. Vacuum trucks were called immediately but could not engage in onsite cleanup operations until safety conditions permitted them to proceed. See Corrective Action Plan for further information.												
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken*												
Refer to Final C-141 and Final Remediation Report when generated.  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. 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: DK Robinson						OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION						
Printed Name: Don Robinson Ap							Approved by District ENVIRONMENTAL FNGINFFR					
Title: <b>Drilling</b>	g Manage	r				pproval Date				ate: Q.Z	Q · 08	
E-mail Address	: drobins	on@ranger	sources.	com	Co	onditions of A	Approval:	ı		Attached		
Date: 4/24/08 Phone: 817-869-4128							1 88 - 18					

Mr. Don Robinson
Drilling Manager
Range Resources Corporation
100 Throckmorton Street
Suite 1200
Fort Worth, Texas 76102



24 April 2008

Mr. Larry Johnson
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
1625 N. French Drive
Hobbs, NM 88240

Re: Eva Blinebry "B" Federal No. 5 Involuntary Brine Discharge Corrective Action Plan (API No.: 30-025-38574) U/L F S34 T23S R37E, 1650' FNL and 2310' FWL

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Range Operating Resources, Inc. (Range) herewith submits notification of an involuntary discharge of 200,000 ppm brine water that occurred on the Eva Blinebry "B" Federal No. 5 well (Eva No. 5) while drilling at 2,203' on April 22, 2008 at 2300 Hours. We believe that the high pressure flow (19 ppg EMW) is a result of high pressure water injection from an adjoining lease. Range has no injection on the lease.

Upon drilling into the pressure on Eva No. 5, the Kelly was pulled above the rotary table and the annular preventer was closed so that the flow was transferred through the choke manifold. This high pressure caused the weld to break on the three inch line running from the manifold to the pit, which allowed the flow to be uncontained. At this point, the H2S alarms sounded and the rig crew abandoned the location while noticing that a 300 ppm reading had been detected. Subsequent controlled flow detected a reading as high as 800 ppm. The flow continued until the driller could put on an air tank and shut the well in. During this period, the hyper-charged brine water was mainly contained on the drilling pad although some of the brine flowed off the pad towards the east. The discharge, which found its way to the east of the pad areas, was either caused by a (1) limited overflow from pooling on the pad or (2) a spraying effect discharged at a high velocity into the atmosphere. There were numerous "spaghetti trails" laid down which exhibited saturation into the sandy clay only a few inches in depth on the average. Three main areas of some ponding were also identified but these ranged in depth from a few inches down to an average of approximately 2 to 3 feet, noticed only in the flare pit area.

Vacuum trucks were called immediately but could not engage in onsite cleanup operations until safety conditions permitted them to proceed. The vacuum trucks sucked up the brine water wherever it was ponding. Subsequently, a total of 260 barrels were recovered and hauled to

disposal. The remaining 50 barrels were handled as discussed earlier. The actual volume, which either ran off the pad or was blown off the drilling pad is estimated to be less than 20 barrels. Samples were obtained as soon as possible predicated on achieving acceptable safety limits for a life-sustaining atmosphere in the presence of dealing with the H2S gas. Well control dominated the conditions to provide a safe working environment.

Current plans are to remove the contaminated soil to disposal from areas exceeding regulatory Performa, which will be defined by the analytical laboratory results. These shall be addressed by future reports since the data is not currently available. Summarily, as a consequence of this gas kick, Range experienced a release of approximately 310 barrels into the surrounding environment.

Range intends to continue to cooperate with the NMOCD regarding this cleanup and herewith submits its *Corrective Action Plan* to satisfy NMOCD Regulatory Performa requirements.

Should you have questions please call the office (575-394-1485).

Sincerely.

Don Robinson Drilling Manager

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Enclosures: Initial C-141, Laboratory Analyticals