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AAO Federal SWD #1 (2RP-2678)

Termination Request

API No. 30-015-42549

Release Date: November 12th, 2014

Unit Letter G, Section 1, Township 18S, Range 27E

March 24th, 2015

Mike Bratcher

New Mexico Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division, Environmental Bureau – District 2
811 S. First St.
Artesia, NM 88210

**RE: Termination Request
Apache AAO Federal SWD #1 (2RP-2678)
UL/G sec. 1 T18S R27E
API No. 30-015-42549**

Mr. Bratcher:

Apache Corporation (Apache) has retained Rice Environmental Consulting and Safety (RECS) to address potential environmental concerns at the above-referenced site.

Background and Previous Work

The site is located approximately 9.2 miles east of Atoka, New Mexico at UL/G of sec. 1 T18S R27E. USGS monitor well data suggests that the depth to groundwater is located at approximately +/- 117 ft. However, RECS had previously installed two soil bores near that location. One was located approximately 1.5 miles west of the site, and the other was located 3.5 miles west of the site. Both soil bores were drilled to red bed and left open for over 48 hours. Both soil bores were checked for groundwater and neither returned groundwater in the bores.

On November 12th, 2014, during drilling operations, Apache discovered a release of brine water. The well started flowing back at 1,000 barrels per hour into the mud pits. A total of 30 barrels of brine water overflowed the mud pits and covered 13,349 square feet of lease pad. A vacuum truck was called to the site and drained the mud pits. NMOCD and BLM were notified of the release on November 13th, 2014, and an initial C-141 was sent to both agencies for approval. NMOCD approved the initial C-141 on December 19th, 2014 (Appendix A).

RECS personnel were on site beginning on January 12th, 2015, to assess the release. Five points within the release area (Points 1 – 5) were sampled at the surface and three points (Point 1, Point 2 and Point 4) were sampled with depth (Figure 1). The samples were field tested for chlorides and organic vapors. Representative samples were then taken to a commercial laboratory for analyses (Appendix B). Based on the laboratory readings, the release area and surrounding pad were scraped down 6 inches. The excavated soil was taken to a NMOCD approved facility for disposal. Once the scrape was completed, samples were taken from the base of the scrape at Point 3, Point 5, Point 6 and Point 7. These samples from 6 inches bgs were field tested for chlorides and organic vapors. The field data returned chloride values below regulatory standards.

A request to backfill the site was sent to NMOCD and BLM on February 3rd, 2015. NMOCD approved the request to backfill the site on February 10th, 2015. Clean caliche was imported to the site to serve as backfill. The scrape was backfilled and contoured to the surrounding location.

Photo documentation of the field activities can be found in Appendix C.

Given that Apache removed the contaminated soil and replaced it with clean, imported caliche, Apache respectfully requests 'remediation termination' and site closure. A final C-141 can be found in Appendix D.

RECS appreciates the opportunity to work with you on this project. Please call Hack Conder at (575) 393-2967 or me if you have any questions or wish to discuss the site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J.C.W.' followed by a stylized flourish.

Lara Weinheimer

Project Scientist

RECS

(575) 441-0431

Attachments:

- Figure 1 – Sampling Data
- Appendix A – Initial C-141
- Appendix B – Vertical Lab Data
- Appendix C – Photo Documentation
- Appendix D – Final C-141

Figures

Sampling Data

Point 1

	CI-	PID	GRO	DRO	B	T	E	X	BTEX
Surface	12732	22							
6"	1180	27	<10	<10	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.15	<0.3
1'	176	14.6	<10	<10	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.15	<0.3

Point 2

	CI-	PID	GRO	DRO	B	T	E	X	BTEX
Surface	11545	15							
6"	608	15.7	<10	<10	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.15	<0.3
1'	128	36	<10	<10	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.15	<0.3

Point 3

	CI-	PID
Surface	821	27.4
6"	139	12.3

Point 4

	CI-	PID	GRO	DRO	B	T	E	X	BTEX
Surface	7888	3.5							
6"	656	12.8	<10	10.3	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.15	<0.3
1'	48	5.6	<10	<10	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.15	<0.3

Point 5

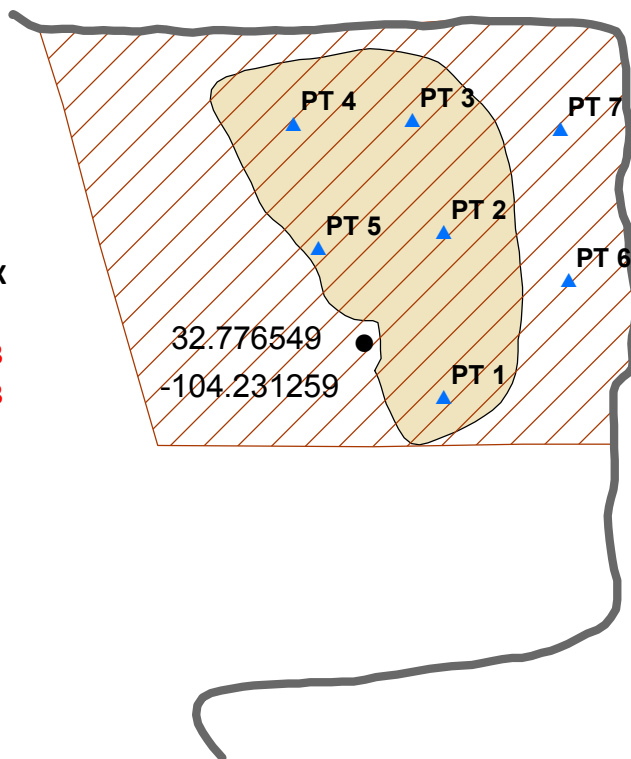
	CI-	PID
Surface	3774	17.7
6"	176	14

Point 6

	CI-	PID
6"	84	12.8

Point 7

	CI-	PID
6"	86	18.9



Legend

- ▲ SAMPLE POINT
- WELLHEAD
- PAD/ROAD EDGE
- ▨ SCRAPE TO 6 INCHES
- ☼ STAIN (13,349 SQ FT)

CI- FIELD DATA

CI- LAB DATA

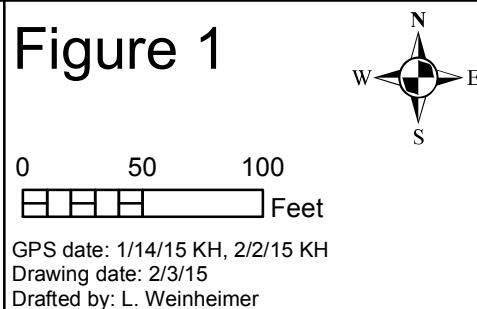
Landowner: BLM
DGW: 117 ft or None



APACHE AAO
SWD #01

Legals: UL/G sec. 1
T-18-S R-27-E
EDDY COUNTY, NM

Figure 1



Appendix A

Initial C-141

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

Form C-141
Revised August 8, 2011

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

Release Notification and Corrective Action

NAB1435357865

OPERATOR		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Report
Name of Company	Apache Corporation <u>873</u>	Contact	Bruce Baker
Address	2350 W Marland Blvd Hobbs NM 88240	Telephone No.	(432) 631-6982
Facility Name	AAO Federal SWD # 1	Facility Type	SWD
Surface Owner	BLM	Mineral Owner	
		API No.	30-015-42549

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
G	1	18S	27E	2470'	FNL	2380'	FEL	Eddy

Latitude 32.77649 Longitude 104.231339

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	brine water	Volume of Release	30 Barrels	Volume Recovered	0 Barrels
Source of Release	mud pits	Date and Hour of Occurrence	11/12/14 at 10:00 p.m.	Date and Hour of Discovery	11/12/14 at 10:00 p.m.
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Jeffery Robertson (BLM) and Heather Patterson (NMOCD)		
By Whom?	Bruce Baker	Date and Hour	11/13/2014		
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			

NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

DEC 19 2014

RECEIVED

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.

Well started flowing back at 1000 barrels per hour and overflowed mud pits. Trucks were dispatched and began pumping water from pits and transporting to disposal.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.

The entire release was contained to the lease pad. Once drilling operations are complete the site will be cleaned up to regulatory standards.

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.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Signature: <u>Bruce Baker</u>	Approved by Environmental Specialist: <u>[Signature]</u>
Printed Name: Bruce Baker	Approval Date: <u>12/19/14</u> Expiration Date: <u>NA</u>
Title: Environmental Technician	Conditions of Approval:
E-mail Address: <u>larry.baker@apachecorp.com</u>	Remediation per O.C.D. Rules & Guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: <u>12/19/2014</u> Phone: <u>(432) 631-6982</u>	SUBMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

LATER THAN: 1/19/15

2RP-2678

Appendix B

Vertical Lab Data



PHONE (575) 393-2326 ° 101 E. MARLAND ° HOBBS, NM 88240

January 23, 2015

BRUCE BAKER

APACHE CORP - HOBBS

2350 W. MARLAND BLVD.

HOBBS, NM 88240

RE: AAD SWD #1

Enclosed are the results of analyses for samples received by the laboratory on 01/21/15 11:35.

Cardinal Laboratories is accredited through Texas NELAP under certificate number T104704398-13-5. Accreditation applies to drinking water, non-potable water and solid and chemical materials. All accredited analytes are denoted by an asterisk (*). For a complete list of accredited analytes and matrices visit the TCEQ website at www.tceq.texas.gov/field/qa/lab_accred_certif.html.

Cardinal Laboratories is accredited through the State of Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment for:

Method EPA 552.2	Haloacetic Acids (HAA-5)
Method EPA 524.2	Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)
Method EPA 524.4	Regulated VOCs (V1, V2, V3)

Accreditation applies to public drinking water matrices.

This report meets NELAP requirements and is made up of a cover page, analytical results, and a copy of the original chain-of-custody. If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Celey D. Keene". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Celey D. Keene

Lab Director/Quality Manager

Analytical Results For:

APACHE CORP - HOBBS
BRUCE BAKER
2350 W. MARLAND BLVD.
HOBBS NM, 88240
Fax To: (575) 393-2432

Received: 01/21/2015
Reported: 01/23/2015
Project Name: AAD SWD #1
Project Number: NONE GIVEN
Project Location: NOT GIVEN

Sampling Date: 01/20/2015
Sampling Type: Soil
Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
Sample Received By: Celey D. Keene

Sample ID: VERTICAL 1 @ 6" (H500199-01)

BTX 8021B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: ms					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Benzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.62	80.9	2.00	9.70	
Toluene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.58	79.0	2.00	11.4	
Ethylbenzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.52	76.1	2.00	10.6	
Total Xylenes*	<0.150	0.150	01/22/2015	ND	4.57	76.2	6.00	11.3	
Total BTX	<0.300	0.300	01/22/2015	ND					

Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene (PID) 102 % 61-154

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	1180	16.0	01/22/2015	ND	416	104	400	0.00		

TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	192	95.9	200	2.00	
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	191	95.6	200	0.476	

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 102 % 47.2-157

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 115 % 52.1-176

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Project Location: NOT GIVEN

Sampling Date: 01/20/2015
Sampling Type: Soil
Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
Sample Received By: Celey D. Keene

Sample ID: VERTICAL 1 @ 1' (H500199-02)

BTX 8021B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: ms						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Benzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.62	80.9	2.00	9.70		
Toluene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.58	79.0	2.00	11.4		
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Total Xylenes*	<0.150	0.150	01/22/2015	ND	4.57	76.2	6.00	11.3		
Total BTX	<0.300	0.300	01/22/2015	ND						

Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene (PID) 101 % 61-154

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	176	16.0	01/22/2015	ND	416	104	400	0.00		

TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	192	95.9	200	2.00	
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	191	95.6	200	0.476	

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 99.5 % 47.2-157

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 110 % 52.1-176

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Project Number: NONE GIVEN
Project Location: NOT GIVEN

Sampling Date: 01/20/2015
Sampling Type: Soil
Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
Sample Received By: Celey D. Keene

Sample ID: VERTICAL 2 @ 6" (H500199-03)

BTX 8021B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: ms						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Benzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.62	80.9	2.00	9.70		
Toluene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.58	79.0	2.00	11.4		
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Total Xylenes*	<0.150	0.150	01/22/2015	ND	4.57	76.2	6.00	11.3		
Total BTX	<0.300	0.300	01/22/2015	ND						

Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene (PID) 100 % 61-154

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	608	16.0	01/22/2015	ND	416	104	400	0.00	

TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	192	95.9	200	2.00	
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	191	95.6	200	0.476	

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 101 % 47.2-157

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 111 % 52.1-176

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Project Number: NONE GIVEN
Project Location: NOT GIVEN

Sampling Date: 01/20/2015
Sampling Type: Soil
Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
Sample Received By: Celey D. Keene

Sample ID: VERTICAL 2 @ 1' (H500199-04)

BTX 8021B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: ms					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Benzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.62	80.9	2.00	9.70	
Toluene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.58	79.0	2.00	11.4	
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Total BTX	<0.300	0.300	01/22/2015	ND					

Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene (PID) 101 % 61-154

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	128	16.0	01/22/2015	ND	416	104	400	0.00	

TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	192	95.9	200	2.00	
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	191	95.6	200	0.476	

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 107 % 47.2-157

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 115 % 52.1-176

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Sampling Date: 01/20/2015
Sampling Type: Soil
Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
Sample Received By: Celey D. Keene

Sample ID: VERTICAL 4 @ 6" (H500199-05)

BTX 8021B			mg/kg		Analyzed By: ms					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Benzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.62	80.9	2.00	9.70		
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Total BTX	<0.300	0.300	01/22/2015	ND						

Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene (PID) 103 % 61-154

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	656	16.0	01/22/2015	ND	416	104	400	0.00	

TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	192	95.9	200	2.00	
DRO >C10-C28	10.3	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	191	95.6	200	0.476	

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 107 % 47.2-157

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 115 % 52.1-176

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Project Location: NOT GIVEN

Sampling Date: 01/20/2015
Sampling Type: Soil
Sampling Condition: Cool & Intact
Sample Received By: Celey D. Keene

Sample ID: VERTICAL 4 @ 1' (H500199-06)

BTEx 8021B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: ms						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Benzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.62	80.9	2.00	9.70		
Toluene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.58	79.0	2.00	11.4		
Ethylbenzene*	<0.050	0.050	01/22/2015	ND	1.52	76.1	2.00	10.6		
Total Xylenes*	<0.150	0.150	01/22/2015	ND	4.57	76.2	6.00	11.3		
Total BTEx	<0.300	0.300	01/22/2015	ND						

Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene (PID) 101 % 61-154

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	48.0	16.0	01/22/2015	ND	416	104	400	0.00	

TPH 8015M		mg/kg		Analyzed By: MS					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
GRO C6-C10	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	192	95.9	200	2.00	
DRO >C10-C28	<10.0	10.0	01/21/2015	ND	191	95.6	200	0.476	

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctane 102 % 47.2-157

Surrogate: 1-Chlorooctadecane 115 % 52.1-176

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Notes and Definitions

ND	Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
RPD	Relative Percent Difference
**	Samples not received at proper temperature of 6°C or below.
***	Insufficient time to reach temperature.
-	Chloride by SM4500Cl-B does not require samples be received at or below 6°C Samples reported on an as received basis (wet) unless otherwise noted on report

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Appendix C

Photo Documentation

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Apache AAO SWD #1

Unit Letter G, Section 1, T18S, R27E



Initial release area, facing west

1/12/15



Initial release area, facing south

1/12/15



Vertical installation, facing east

1/20/15



Scraping release, facing south

2/2/15



Scraping release, facing north

2/2/15



Exporting soil, facing southeast

2/2/15



Site completed, facing southeast

3/4/15



Site completed, facing north

3/4/15

Appendix D

Final C-141

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State of New Mexico
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Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
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Form C-141
Revised August 8, 2011

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

Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company	Apache Corporation	Contact	Bruce Baker
Address	2350 W. Marland Blvd, Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.	(432) 631-6982
Facility Name	AAO Federal SWD #1	Facility Type	SWD
Surface Owner	BLM	Mineral Owner	
		API No.	30-015-42549

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
G	1	18S	27E	2470'	FNL	2380'	FEL	Eddy

Latitude 32.77649 Longitude -104.231339

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	brine water	Volume of Release	30 Barrels	Volume Recovered	0 Barrels
Source of Release	mud pits	Date and Hour of Occurrence	11/12/14 at 10:00 p.m.	Date and Hour of Discovery	11/12/14 at 10:00 p.m.
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Jeffery Robertson (BLM) and Heather Patterson (NMOCD)		
By Whom?	Bruce Baker	Date and Hour	11/13/2014		
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.* ☐ Well started flowing back at 1000 barrels per hour and overflowed mud pits. Trucks were dispatched and began pumping water from pits and transporting to disposal.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* ☐ RECS personnel were on site beginning on January 12th, 2015, to assess the release. The release covered 13,349 square feet of lease pad. Five points within the release area (Points 1 – 5) were sampled at the surface and three points (Point 1, Point 2 and Point 4) were sampled with depth. Representative samples were then taken to a commercial laboratory for analyses. Based on the laboratory readings, the release area and surrounding pad were scraped down 6 inches. The excavated soil was taken to a NMOCD approved facility for disposal. Once the scrape was completed, samples were taken from the base of the scrape at Point 3, Point 5, Point 6 and Point 7. These samples from 6 inches bgs were field tested for chlorides and organic vapors. The field data returned chloride values and below regulatory standards. A request to backfill the site was sent to NMOCD and BLM on February 3rd, 2015. NMOCD approved the request to backfill the site on February 10th, 2015. Clean caliche was imported to the site to serve as backfill. The scrape was backfilled and contoured to the surrounding location.

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.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Signature: <u>Bruce Baker</u>	Approved by Environmental Specialist:	
Printed Name: Bruce Baker	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:
Title: Environmental Technician	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
E-mail Address: larry.baker@apachecorp.com		
Date: <u>3/24/2015</u> Phone: (432) 631-6982		

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary