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NMOCD Artesia

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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

#### OPERATOR

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company: Linn Operating Inc.	Contact: E. L. Gonzales
Address: 2130 W Bender Blvd, Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No: 575-738-1739
Facility Name: State AZ Battery Flare (closest well State AZ)	Facility Type: Battery

Surface Owner: State	Mineral Owner:	API No. 3001505163
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#### LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter M	Section 16	Township 17S	Range 31E	Feet from the 990	North/South Line South	Feet from 990	East/West Line West	County Eddy
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Latitude: 32.8300337113083 Longitude: -103.880113741649

#### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: Oil	Volume of Release: 10 bbls	Volume Recovered: 0
Source of Release: Valve Heater	Date and Hour of Occurrence 01/26/2014	Date and Hour of Discovery 01/26/2014 0233
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Mike Burton - BLM Mike Bratcher - NMOCD	
By Whom? Brian Wall	Date and Hour: 01/27/2014 0900	
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.\*

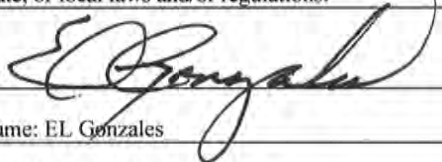
At 2:33 am, received a phone call that there was a fire at the flare at the State AZ Battery. Instructed to turn well 606 off. Discovered that the production kimray had malfunctioned and dumped all the gas to the flare, causing about 10 barrels of oil to go to the flare, causing the fire on the ground. All fluids were contained inside the firewall.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.

On May 17, 2016, DFSI personnel were on site to obtain samples within the leak area. Six samples were obtained and field sampled for chloride levels, as well as BTEX. The BTEX samples were performed using a Mini Rae Photoionization Detector (PID). All field samples resulted in very low chloride concentrations, under NMOCD and BLM regulatory guidelines, and were submitted for laboratory analysis at Cardinal Laboratories of Hobbs, NM to obtain confirmation.

The site was previously scraped and backfilled with clean imported soil. Vegetation has rebounded at the site; therefore, no further site remediation activities are warranted.

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: 	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: EL Gonzales	Approved by Environmental Specialist:	
Title: Production Supervisor	Approval Date: 6/14/2016	Expiration Date: N/A
E-mail Address: elgonzales@linenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 06/01/2016 Phone: 505-504-8002	FINAL	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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