Form 3160-5 (August 2007)

# **UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

**NMOCD** 

FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0135 Expires: July 31, 2010

5.	Lease Senal No.
	NMLC029426B

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Do not use this	form for prop	osals to drill or	r to re-enter	an

abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.

7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

SUBMIT IN TRIE	NMNM134086	ment, Ivanie and of Ive	•				
1. Type of Well		8. Well Name and No. CEDAR LAKE FED CA 340H					
Oil Well Gas Well Oth		——————————————————————————————————————					
2. Name of Operator APACHE CORPORATION		9. API Well No. 30-015-42762					
3a. Address 303 VETERANS AIRPARK LA MIDLAND, TX 79705	NE SUITE 1000	3b. Phone No. Ph: 432-81	(include area code 3-1801	e)	10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory CEDAR LAKE;GLORIETA-YESO		
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T.	, R., M., or Survey Description,				11. County or Parish, and State		
Sec 3 T17S R31E NWSW 220	08FSL 10FWL				EDDY COUNTY	COUNTY, NM	
12. CHECK APPR	ROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO	INDICATE	NATURE OF	NOTICE, R	EPORT, OR OTHE	R DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF A						
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☑ Notice of Intent	☐ Alter Casing	☐ Frac	ture Treat	☐ Reclar	nation	■ Well Integrity	
☐ Subsequent Report	Casing Repair	□ New	Construction	Recom	nplete	Other	
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans	Plug	and Abandon	□ Tempo	orarily Abandon	Venting and/or Fl	arı
	☐ Convert to Injection	Plug	Back	☐ Water	Disposal		
Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompletion in a new interval, a Form 316 testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)  Apache is requesting to Temporary Flare an estimated 1.3 Mmcf per day for 90 days 11/09/16 - 02/09/17 on PAD 21 located L-03-17S-31E, Due to High Nitrogen levels per Frontier. Gas will be measured prior to flaring.  CROW PAD 21 FLARE (3)							
L-03-17S-31E					ED FOR	RECEIVED	
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14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is	Electronic Submission #3	357573 verifie	I by the BLM We	ell Informatio	on System /	7/1	
	Committed to AFMSS for p	processing by	DEBORAH MCH	(INNEY on 1			
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Approved By			Title	BI	JREAU OF LAND MAN.	GENTEN	
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached certify that the applicant holds legal or equivalent would entitle the applicant to conduction.	itable title to those rights in the	Office					
Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43  States any false fictitious or fraudulent s					nake to any department or	agency of the United	

### Additional data for EC transaction #357573 that would not fit on the form

#### 32. Additional remarks, continued

CEDAR LAKE FEDERAL CA 344H 30-015-42746 (Crow Federal #44H) CEDAR LAKE FEDERAL CA 345H 30-015-42747 (Crow Federal #45H)

NMLC 029426B

1.Meter #T335

2.Flare Location was sent prior
 3.Volumes are being reported to the BLM

## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 575-234-5972

Pursuant to **NTL-4A III**, Lessees or operators are hereby authorized to vent or flare gas on a short-term basis <u>without</u> <u>incurring a royalty</u> obligation in the following circumstances:

- A. <u>Emergencies.</u> During temporary emergency situations, such as compressor or other equipment failures, relief of abnormal system pressures, or other conditions which result in the unavoidable short-term venting or flaring of gas. However, this authorization to vent or flare gas in such circumstances without incurring a royalty obligation is limited to 24 hours per incident and to 144 hours cumulative for the lease during any calendar month, except with the prior authorization, approval, ratification, or acceptance of the Supervisor.
- B. <u>Well Purging and Evaluation Tests.</u> During the unloading or cleaning up of a well during drillstem, producing, routine purging, or evaluation tests, not exceeding a period of 24 hours.
- C. <u>Initial Production Tests.</u> During initial well evaluation tests, not exceeding a period of 30 days or the production of 50 MMcf of gas, whichever occurs first, unless a longer test period has been authorized by the appropriate State regulatory agency and ratified or accepted by the Supervisor.
- D. <u>Routine or Special Well Tests.</u> During routine or special well tests, other than those cited in NTL-4A III.B and C above, only after approval by the Supervisor.

If a flaring event conforms with the requirements listed above as per NTL-4A III., the flared volumes are not royalty bearing and the operator does not need to submit a Sundry Notice. Report flared volumes as unavoidably lost on OGOR B.

#### **Condition of Approval to Flare Gas**

- 1. The first 24 hours of a <u>temporary emergency flare\*</u> is considered "unavoidably lost" and is therefore royalty free. Flared volumes that are considered unavoidably lost are not to be included in Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). NTL-4A specifies no more than 24 hours per incident and no more 144 hours cumulative for the lease during any calendar month. These Volumes are not royalty bearing and shall be reported on OGOR "B" as either disposition code "21" or "22".".
- 2. Flared volumes considered to be "avoidably lost":
  - Exceeding the first 24 hours for each temporary emergency flare event (144 hours cumulative for the lease per month), well purging and evaluation test.
  - During initial well evaluation tests, exceeding a period of 30 days or the production of 50 MMcf of gas, whichever occurs first
  - Scheduled flaring operations

These flare events will require prior approval via Notice of Intent- Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Volumes flared beyond limits defined in NTL-4A are considered "avoidably lost" and will require payment of royalties, unless an exception is granted in accordance with NTL-4A.IV.B.. <u>Volumes for avoidably lost gas shall be reported on OGOR "B" reports as disposition code "08"</u>. If the operator believes that the flared volumes were "unavoidably lost" and the BLM determines them to be "avoidably lost", the operator can submit a more detailed request via Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) for an exception in accordance with NTL-4A.IV.B.. As an alternative to producing oil and flaring gas the operator may choose to shut the well in and avoid paying royalties on otherwise avoidably lost gas.

- 3. Approval not to exceed 90 days, if flaring is still required past 90 days submit new request for approval.
- 4. Submit Subsequent Report with actual volumes of gas flared for each month gas is flared on a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Include method for volume determination and duration. Report unavoidably lost (first 24 hrs of unexpected event) and avoidably lost (exceeding the first 24 hrs or flared gas that has been approved as avoidably lost by the Authorized Officer) volumes and durations on the Subsequent Report.

- 5. In determining the volumes of gas to be reported in accordance with NTL-4A the BLM CFO requires Vent/flare gas metering to meet all requirements for a sales meter as per Federal Regulations, Onshore Order #5 and NTL 2008-01. Include meter serial number on Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5).
  - If installation of an approved gas meter is not economically feasible for continued operations. Submit Notice of Intent Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) to request an alternate method of determining gas volumes with a valid justification. Alternate methods are listed in NTL-4A. The Authorized Officer may require the installation of additional measurement equipment whenever it is determined that the present methods are inadequate to meet the purposes of this Notice.
- 6. An updated facility diagram is required within 60 days of modifications to existing facilities per Onshore Order #3.
- 7. This approval does not authorize any additional surface disturbance.
- 8. Subject to like approval from NMOCD

### **Regulations and Definitions**

**Definition:** As per **NTL-4A II. A.** "Avoidably lost" production shall mean the venting or flaring of produced gas without the prior authorization, approval, ratification, or acceptance of the Supervisor and the loss of produced oil or gas when the Supervisor determines that such loss occurred as a result of (1) negligence on the part of the lessee or operator, or (2) the failure of the lessee or operator to take all reasonable measures to prevent and/or to control the loss, or (3) the failure of the lessee or operator to comply fully with the applicable lease terms and regulations, appropriate provisions of the approved operating plan, or the prior written orders of the Supervisor, or (4) and combination of the foregoing.

NTL-4A.IV.B. Oil Well Gas. Except as provided in II.C and III above, oil well gas may not be vented or flared unless approved in writing by the Supervisor. The Supervisor may approve an application for the venting or flaring of oil well gas if justified either by the submittal of (1) an evaluation report supported by engineering, geologic, and economic data which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Supervisor that the expenditures necessary to market or beneficially use such gas are not economically justified and that conservation of the gas, if required, would lead to the premature abandonment of recoverable oil reserves and ultimately to a greater loss of equivalent energy than would be recovered if the venting or flaring were permitted to continue or (2) an action plan that will eliminate venting or flaring of the gas within 1 year from the date of application.

\*<u>Temporary Emergency Flaring</u> is defined as an unexpected situation requiring immediate action. A flaring event is considered an emergency if the occurrence is out of the operators control and the operator had less than 24 hrs notification of the event. Scheduled or routine flare events will not be considered an emergency.