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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141
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Release Notification and Corrective Action

30-015-22931

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OPERATOR

X Initial Report **Final Report**

Name of Company: Range Operating New Mexico, Inc.	Contact: Steve Almager
Address: PO Box 1570, Eunice, NM 88231	Telephone No.: 575-631-0926
Facility Name: South Culebra Bluff No. 4B	Facility Type: Oil & Gas

Surface Owner: Range Resources, Inc.	Mineral Owner	API No. 30-015-22931
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter A	Section 23	Township 23S	Range 28E	Feet from the 660'	North/South Line FNL	Feet from the 560'	East/West Line FEL	County Eddy

Latitude _____ **Longitude** _____

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: Produced water with some hydrocarbon.	Volume Released: Appx. 30 bbls	Volume Recovered: 20 bbls
Source of Release: Source of discharge occurred at the 2" transition releasing it out across the pad and spraying onto surrounding off pad areas.	Date and Hour of Occurrence: Unknown	Date and Hour of Discovery: 3/11/09 @ 0630 Hours
Was Immediate Notice Given? X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Not Required	If YES, To Whom: Mike Bratcher (NMOCD)	
By Whom? Cheryl Winkler (Oscar with Kanek discovered spill.)	Date and Hour: 11 March 2009 Approx. 0830 Hours	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes X No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. N/A	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.* N/A

GW per map = < 50' bgs

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*

The spill was caused by a fatigued check valve on the wellhead, which was ruptured at the base allowing fluid to discharge onto the pad. All fluid was contained on the pad. Vacuum trucks were deployed to suck up standing fluids and control saturation into the pad. The contaminated soil was removed and hauled directly to disposal. NMOCD was notified of the spill.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

The contaminated area was excavated and infield sampled to ascertain delineation depths which became a concern because this was a pad which had experienced other spills prior to this event. Samples were pulled and sent to Trace Analysis Laboratory for legal analyticals since NMOCD was requiring laboratory analyticals. All contaminated material was hauled to disposal, totaling approximately 66 yards. It may be necessary to further delineate this area due the history on the pad.

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.

Signature: <i>Chris Garcia</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: Chris Garcia	Signed By <i>Mike Bratcher</i>	
Title: Production Supervisor Eunice/Loving, NM	Approved by District Supervisor:	
E-mail Address: cgarcia@rangeresources.com	Approval Date: MAR 26 2009	Expiration Date:
Date: 24 March 2009 Phone: 575-394-1485	Conditions of Approval: <i>See Attached</i>	Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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