UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR Bureau Of Land Management

New Mexico State Office

REPORT OF UNDESIRABLE EVENT

DATE OF OCCURRENCE/DISCOVERY: 6/25/02 TIME OF OCCURRENCE: 9:30AM
DATE REPORTED TO BLM: 6/25/02 TIME REPORTED: 1:00PM
BLM OFFICE REPORTED TO: (RESOURCE AREA/DISTRICT/OTHER): CARLSBAD DISTRICT
LOCATION: (1/4 1/4) <u>SW/4 SE4</u> SECTION <u>20</u> T. <u>16S</u> R. <u>29E</u> MERIDIAN
COUNTY: EDDY STATE: NM WELL NAME: BRAINARD FED #1
OPERATOR: COMPANY NAME: BEACH EXPLORATION, INC PHONE NO. <u>915-683-6226</u> CONTACT PERSON'S NAME: JACK M. ROSE
SURFACE OWNER: FEDERAL MINERAL OWNER: FEDERAL FEDERAL/INDIAN/FEE STATE
LEASE NO: <u>NMNM03361</u> RIGHT-OF-WAY NO.: <u>N/A</u>
UNIT NAME / COM UNITIZATION AGREEMENT NO.:
TYPE OF EVENT, CIRCLE APPROPRIATE ITEM(S):
BLOWOUT, FIRE, FATALITY, INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OIL SPILL, SALTWATER SPILL, OIL AND SALTWATER SPILL, TOXIC FLUID SPILL, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL, UNCONTROLLED FLOW OF WELLBORE FLUIDS, OTHER (SPECIFY):
CAUSE OF EVENT: Plugging well, perf 5 ½" csg at 415' to pump a cmt plug across 8 5/8" surf csg. at
<u>365'. Encountered 500-800 BW/hr saltwater flow. Force of flow stripped BOP flange off wellhead</u>
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OTHER AGENCIES NOTIFIED: OCD ARTESIA OFFICE ON JULY 2, 2002