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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
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Form C-141
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Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company	Burlington Resources	Contact	Gregg Wurtz
Address	P.O. Box 4289 Farmington NM 87499	Telephone No.	(505) 326-9537
Facility Name	Middle Mesa SWD #1	Facility Type	Salt Water Disposal Well
Surface Owner	BLM	Mineral Owner	BLM
		Lease No.	NM-2996

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
L	25	32N	7 W	1555	South	1210	West	San Juan

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Produced Water	Volume of Release	15 BBLS.	Volume Recovered	0 BBLS.
Source of Release	Primary Filter Pod	Date and Hour of Occurrence	10/22/2003	Date and Hour of Discovery	10/22/2003 12:00:00 PM
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Denny Foust		
By Whom?	Gregg Wurtz	Date and Hour	10/25/2003 10:00:00		
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	0		

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*

None. All contained within facility boundary

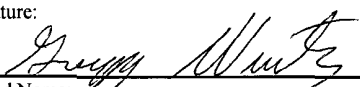
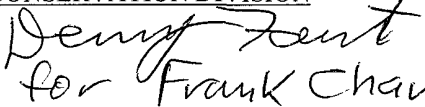
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*

Filter pod equipment failure. The seal between dome lid of the filter pod and main filter pod body failed. The failure allowed water under pressure to release from the filter pod. The water released was not recovered because the water was absorbed into a gravel area and subsequently by the soil underlying the gravel. The filter pod was taken out of service and will be reconditioned to satisfactory condition or replaced. See attached for more detail.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

An area approximately 50 feet by 100 feet within the boundary of the facility adjacent to the western end of the filter house and within the graveled area of the storage tank battery. See attached for more detail.

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:	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION		
	Approved by District Supervisor:  for Frank Chavez		
Printed Name: Gregg Wurtz	Approval Date: 11/20/03	Expiration Date:	
Title: Environmental Representative	Conditions of Approval: Repair or Replacement of Filter Pod		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
E-mail Address: lhasely@br-inc.com or gwurtz@br-inc.com			
Date: 11-04-03 Phone: (505) 326-9841 or 9537			

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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November 4, 2003

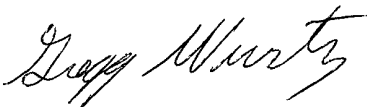
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
Attn: Denny Foust
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, NM 87410

Re: Middle Mesa SWD #1 Filter Pod Leaking
Unit L of Section 25, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County, NM

Mr. Foust:

Attached are two copies of Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company's report of an undesirable event at the referenced facility. In addition, supplemental information is provided regarding the event. If you have any questions concerning this release notification please contact me at 326-9537.

Sincerely,



Gregg Wurtz
Environmental Specialist

Attachment: Release Incident Report and Additional Information

cc: Mark Kelley, BLM
Release File
Correspondence

Middle Mesa #1 Filter Pod Leaking Incident

Supplemental Information

1. The filters in primary filter pod bank were replaced by a contractor Oct. 21, 2003. The contractor reported that the technician waited 30 mins. after installation of filters to detect potential problems/leaks from the filter pods. No leaks were detected at the time of the filter replacement.
2. Burlington Resources (BR) lease operator Rodger Lanier was at the SWD facility on the morning of October 23, 2003. He reported the filter pod was not leaking during the visit.
3. OCD employee Bruce Martin observed one filter pod leaking inside the filter building on Oct. 23, 2003 and contact BR lease operator Rodger Lanier.
4. Burlington Resources lease operator Rodger Lanier met Bruce Martin at the SWD facility to determine cause of leak and stopped the filter pod from leaking.
5. Roger Lanier then reported the spill to Hans Dube, Production Area foreman for BR.
6. Mr. Dube reported the spill to BR's EH&S Dept., Gregg Wurtz.
7. Mr. Wurtz provided spill notification verbally to Denny Foust 10/23/03.
8. Mr. Wurtz visited the SWD facility on 10/23/03 to gain more information regarding the cause of the problem, the area affected, and start remedial actions
9. Mr. Wurtz and Mr. Dube visited the location 10/27/03 and develop long and short term plans address the leaking filter pods identified by OCD.
10. The filter pod causing the leak was taken out of service to prevent the potential for future equipment failure 10/27/03.
11. Mr. Wurtz and Mr. Dube meet with Denny Foust to communicate the facts of the spill event and the corrective actions completed and planned 10/28/03.
12. As a preventative measure all the filter pods were inspected and four of the pods were sent into town for reconditioning 11/3/03.

I have read the Release Notification submitted by Burlington Resources, and wish to note, that I did not inspect the facility in the fall of 2002, nor the spring of 2003. I have attached a table of my well inspections for this facility, taken from RBDMS and listed them here.

Date	Purpose for Inspection	Comment
12/22/98	5 yr. MIT	BRADENHEAD HAD 652PSI. DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE EVER BEEN TESTED.
5/19/99	Routine/Periodic	A-OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape.
9/2/99	BH Test	20 PSI ON BRADENHEAD BLEW TO ZERO IN 2 MIN 10 SEC. NO FLUID.
3/15/00	Routine/Periodic	Pit near the truck-unloading header is running over.
8/1/00	Routine/Periodic	Oil sump pit is running over oil & produced water on ground around the filter bldg.
4/18/01	Routine/Periodic	A-OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape.
10/2/01	Routine/Periodic	A-OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape.
5/17/02	Routine/Periodic	A-OK. All Equipment and Location in Good Shape.
10/22/03	Routine/Periodic	Several produced water tanks are leaking. There is standing produced water on the ground. The filter vessels were leaking badly, produced water was running out of the building onto the ground. Several bbls of?? Sitting directly on the ground. Small amount of oil on ground under oil slop tank load valve.
11/10/03	Routine/Periodic	Leaking tanks have been patched, inspection ports have been cut into every produced water tank. . The filter vessels have been removed. The tanks are being drained for removal and inspection.

Bruce Martin
Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

