

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
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 October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate
District Office in accordance
with Rule 116 on back
side of form

Release Notification and Corrective Action

30-039-06750

OPERATOR

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company Noble Energy, Inc.	Contact Ryan Bruner
Address 1600 Broadway, Suite 2200 Denver, CO 80202	Telephone No. 303.228.4158
Facility Name Huron #3	Facility Type Gas well and associated equipment

Surface Owner BLM	Mineral Owner BLM	Lease No. Jicarilla Contract 101
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter A	Section 2	Township 26N	Range 4W	Feet from the 975'	North/South Line N	Feet from the 810'	East/West Line E	County San Juan
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Latitude 36.51992 Longitude -107.21420

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release Natural Gas	Volume of Release 120 mcf	Volume Recovered 0 mcf
Source of Release Wellhead struck by snow plow	Date and Hour of Occurrence 1-29-10, 1:30pm	Date and Hour of Discovery 1-29-10, 1:30pm
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Brandon Powell, NMOCD & BLM, left message	
By Whom? Jean Muse, 303.228.4316	Date and Hour 1-30-10, 8:45pm (NMOCD), 7:05pm (BLM)	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. N/A	



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If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.* N/A	OIL CONS. DIV. DIST. 3
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Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*
Grader that was on location clearing snow hit associated wellhead piping resulting in a gas release; it appears that gas migrated towards the separator and ignited. Noble Energy's Incident Management System and emergency personnel were activated. Well was secured within 24-hours of incident; job complete at 1:30pm, 1-30-10.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*
The flash fire did result in damages to the facility separator and compressor. The wellhead integrity is currently being evaluated. Well is shut-in until necessary repairs are made. No liquids were released as a result of this incident. Gas was flared on location until well control services controlled the well.

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	
Printed Name: Ryan Bruner		Approved by District Supervisor:  For: CP	
Title: Environmental Specialist		Approval Date: 4/9/10	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: rbruner@nobleenergyinc.com		Conditions of Approval:	
Date: 2/1/10 Phone: 303.228.4158		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>	

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

NRMD 1010256301

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ATTN: JEAN MUSE / NOBEL ENERGY

REPORT OF THE UNDESIRABLE EVENT

JANUARY 29-31ST, 2010

JICARILLA HURON#3, NOBEL ENERGY, INC.

JICARILLA LEASE# 09-000101

RECEIVED
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Farmington, NM

DAY 1 (JANUARY 29TH, 2010 FRIDAY)

THE JICARILLA OIL AND GAS DEPARTMENT WAS INFORMED OF A WELLHEAD FIRE ON THE ABOVE NOTED WELL LOCATION. THIS INCIDENT HAPPENED ABOUT 1430 HRS. JICARILLA BLM INSPECTORS WERE NOTIFIED AROUND 1630 HRS. BRYCE HAMMOND AND ROD VELARDE WERE ON LOCATION IMMEDIATELY AND STAYED UNTIL DARK UNTIL THE LOCATION WAS SECURED. MR. CODY MUNDRES WAS THERE REPRESENTING NOBEL ENERGY. JICARILLA BLM INSPECTORS WERE TOLD OF THE EVENT, THAT THE BLADE HAND WAS PLOWING SNOW ON THE LEASE AND ACCIDENTLY NICKED THE EDGE OF THE CASING PLUMBING, THEREBY CAUSING NATURAL GAS TO VENT, THIS GAS BLEW INTO THE SEPARATOR AND IGNITED THE FIRE. JICARILLA FIRE DEPARTMENT HAD 2 UNITS ON STANDBY THAT EVENING. JICARILLA EMERGENCY SERVICES HAD AN AMBULANCE AND A SUBURBAN ON STANDBY ON THE 29TH AND THE 30TH. GPS COORDINATES WERE SUPPLIED FOR ADDITIONAL AIR SUPPORT IF THEY WERE NEEDED. THEY WERE NOT NOTIFIED. BLM OFFICIALS IN THE FARMINGTON OFFICE WERE NOTIFIED. JICARILLA VICE-PRESIDENT WAS ALSO INFORMED OF THE FIRE.

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JICARILLA HURON# 3,NOBEL ENERGY

JICARILLA LEASE# 09-000101

DAY 2 (JANUARY 30TH,2010 SATURDAY)

THE WELLHEAD FIRE BURNED OVER NIGHT, WITH NOBEL ENERGY ON LOCATION. JICARILLA APACHE NATION LAW ENFORCEMENT WERE AWARE OF INCIDENT AND HAD AN OFFICER CLOSEBY ON BOTH DAYS. NOBEL ENERGY HAD PERSONNEL FROM DENVER,COLORADO AND AMARILLO,TEXAS ON LOCATION TO OVERSEE THE OPERATIONS TO CONTROL THE FIRE. WELLHEAD FIRE EXPERTS ARRIVED FROM HOUSTON,TEXAS TO ACCESS THE FIRE. SAFETY MEETINGS WERE HELD DURING THE DAY. SIGN-UP SHEETS WERE REQUIRED ON EACH PERSONNEL ARRIVING WITH EQUIPMENT. THIS WAS FOR THE 29TH AND THE 30TH. OTHER PERSONNEL ON LOCATION WERE: FOAM PUMP TRUCK WITH SUPERVISOR AND DRIVER; A ROUSTABOUT CREW WITH A BACKHOE; 1 BLADE WITH OPERATOR; 1 WELDER WITH A HELPER; 3 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL WITH AMBULANCE AND SUBURBAN; 1 JICARILLA LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; 1 NOBEL ENERGY LEASE OPERATOR WITH VEHICLE;1 WELLHEAD CONTRACTOR WITH VEHICLE; 2 JICARILLA/BLM INSPECTORS;3 VACUUM TRUCKS WITH DRIVERS.

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JICARILLA LEASE # 09-000101

DAY 2-CONT.(JANUARY 30TH, 2010 (SATURDAY))

NO INJURIES NOR FATALITIES WERE REPORTED. PROPERTY DAMAGE WAS LIMITED TO THE SEPARATOR AND A NEARBY COMPRESSOR. THEY WERE SINGED BY THE INITIAL FLAMES. THE WELLHEAD HAD THE CASING PLUMBING REPLACED ONCE THE FIRE WAS CONTAINED. NO HYDROCARBONS WAS AFFECTED. CONDENSATE WAS PUMPED FROM A NEARBY TANK AND TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE LEASE. THE WILLIAMS OJITO COMPRESSOR STATION WAS GIVEN AS LANDING SITE FOR AIRCRAFT. THIS WAS NOT NEEDED, GPS COORDINATES WERE TAKEN FOR THIS SITE. A STAGING AREA WAS BLADED NEARBY FOR EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL. SPACE ON THE WELL LOCATION PREVENTED ALL VEHICLES FROM PARKING ON SITE. THE BACKHOE CLEARED AN AREA BY METER HOUSE FOR IMMEDIATE USE FOR PRIORITY PERSONNEL. NO DAMAGE TO NATURAL RESOURCES WERE AFFECTED. WELL FIRE WAS CONTAINED AROUND 1500 HRS. WITH FIRE BEING EXTINGUISHED AND VENTING GAS PRESSURE BEING CONTAINED.

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DAY 2 JANUARY 30TH, 2010 (SATURDAY)

IN SUMMARY, THERE WAS GOOD COMMUNICATIONS, TEAMWORK
WITHIN ALL THE ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED WITH THIS INCIDENT.
SAFETY BEING A HIGH PRIORITY FOR INVOLVED PERSONNEL.
FOLLOW-UP TO OCCUR AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO
CONTINUE WITH VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS THAT WERE ON
LOCATION.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER



DATE

February 3, 2010

TITLE

BLM/Tribal oil and Gas Inspector

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENTFORM APPROVED
OMB No. 1004-0137
Expires: March 31, 2007

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use Form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE- Other instructions on reverse side.

1. Type of Well
☐ Oil Well ☒ Gas Well ☐ Other2. Name of Operator **NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**3a. Address
5802 US HIGHWAY 64 FARMINGTON, NM 874013b. Phone No. (include area code)
505-632-8056

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)

**"A" 975' FNL AND 810' FEL
Sec. 02-T26N-R4W NMPM**5. Lease Serial No.
JICARILLA CONTRACT 1016. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
JICARILLA APACHE

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

8. Well Name and No.
HURON #39. API Well No.
30-0-39-0675010. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area
Blanco Mesa Verde/Tapacito Pictured Cl11. County or Parish, State
RIO ARriba CTY, NEW MEXICO

12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA

TYPE OF SUBMISSION

TYPE OF ACTION

☐ Notice of Intent☒ Subsequent Report☐ Final Abandonment Notice☐ Acidize☐ Alter Casing☐ Casing Repair☐ Change Plans☐ Convert to Injection☐ Deepen☐ Fracture Treat☐ New Construction☐ Plug and Abandon☐ Plug Back☐ Production (Start/Resume)☐ Reclamation☐ Recomplete☐ Temporarily Abandon☐ Water Disposal☐ Water Shut-Off☐ Well Integrity☒ Other **RELEASE****REPORT**

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recompleat horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. 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 filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompleat in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

NOBLE ENERGY, INC. EXPERIENCED A RELEASE OF APPROXIMATELY 120 MCF OF NATURAL GAS. THE GAS RELEASE OCCURED JANUARY 29, 2010 AT 1330hrs. AS A RESULT OF THE GAS PIPELINE BEING STRUCK BY A SNOWPLOW BLADE. THE PIPELINE LEAKED GAS THAT WAS IGNITED BY THE BURNER AT THE SEPARATOR. GAS WAS FLARED ON LOCATION UNTIL WILD WELL CONTROL-HOUSTON, TX KILLED THE WELL ON FEBRUARY 31, 2010. NO FLUIDS WERE RELEASED. NOBLE WILL KEEP THE WELL SHUT-IN UNTIL THE DAMAGED EQUIPMENT IS REPLACED AND WILL RETURN THE WELL TO PRODUCTION THEREAFTER.

BLM/BIA REPRESENTATIVE, ROD VELARDE WAS ON LOCATION AND HIS REPORT IS ATTACHED.

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14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct
Name (Printed/Typed)

JEAN M. MUSETitle **REGULATORY COMPLIANCE**

Signature

Date

02/02/2010

THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE

Approved by

Title

Date

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Office

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

(Instructions on page 2)