



11049G	NHU CTB Inlet	NHU CTB Inlet	
Sample Point Code	Sample Point Name	Sample Point Location	
Laboratory Services	2020037052	0966	D Armstrong - Spot
Source Laboratory	Lab File No	Container Identity	Sampler
USA	USA	USA	New Mexico
District	Area Name	Field Name	Facility Name
Nov 24, 2020 14:30	Nov 24, 2020 14:30	Nov 25, 2020 09:06	Nov 25, 2020
Date Sampled	Date Effective	Date Received	Date Reported
67.00	Torrance	38 @ 84	
Ambient Temp (°F)	Flow Rate (Mcf)	Analyst	Press PSI @ Temp °F Source Conditions
Oxy		NG	
Operator		Lab Source Description	

Component	Normalized Mol %	Un-Normalized Mol %	GPM
H2S (H2S)	0.0000	0	
Nitrogen (N2)	0.2120	0.212	
CO2 (CO2)	93.4580	93.458	
Methane (C1)	1.0420	1.042	
Ethane (C2)	0.1350	0.135	0.0360
Propane (C3)	1.0530	1.053	0.2900
I-Butane (IC4)	0.3210	0.321	0.1050
N-Butane (NC4)	0.8960	0.896	0.2820
I-Pentane (IC5)	0.4780	0.478	0.1750
N-Pentane (NC5)	0.4580	0.458	0.1660
Hexanes Plus (C6+)	1.9470	1.947	0.8450
TOTAL	100.0000	100.0000	1.8990

Method(s): Gas C6+ - GPA 2261, Extended Gas - GPA 2286, Calculations - GPA 2172

Analyzer Information

Device Type: Gas Chromatograph Device Make: Shimadzu
 Device Model: GC-2014 Last Cal Date: Nov 24, 2020

Gross Heating Values (Real, BTU/ft³)

14.696 PSI @ 60.00 °F		14.73 PSI @ 60.00 °F	
Dry	Saturated	Dry	Saturated
217.2	214.3	217.7	214.8

Calculated Total Sample Properties

GPA2145-16 *Calculated at Contract Conditions

Relative Density Real	Relative Density Ideal
1.5657	1.5557
Molecular Weight	
45.0589	

C6+ Group Properties

Assumed Composition

C6 - 60.000%	C7 - 30.000%	C8 - 10.000%
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Field H2S
0 PPM

PROTREND STATUS:

Passed By Validator on Nov 25, 2020

DATA SOURCE:

Imported

PASSED BY VALIDATOR REASON:

First sample taken @ this point, composition looks reasonable

VALIDATOR:

Torrance Galvan

VALIDATOR COMMENTS:

OK

UPSET EVENT SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATIONS FORM**Facility:** North Hobbs Unit CTB**Start Date:** 06/24/2021 @ 02:00 AM**End Date:** 06/24/2021 @ 02:35 AM**Cause:** Compressor Malfunction>LP 4500 Compressor down, Suction Control Valve Issue**Duration of event:** 35 minutes**Method of Flared Gas Measurement:** Flare Meter**MCF Flared:** 133.33

1. Reason why this event was beyond Operator's control:

The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control, and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices. In this case, compressor LP 4500 unit's malfunction occurred due to a suction control valve issue. This sudden and unexpected malfunction occurred as a result of the suction control valve losing communication with the compressor control panel, forcing the suction control valve to stay in an open position, which in turn, pulled the suction psi to a low level, causing the unit's low suction PSI malfunction alarm to occur and automatically shutting the unit down. This event was completely out of OXY's control to prevent from occurring but OXY made every effort to control and minimize excess emissions while an OXY production tech resolved the issue. Notwithstanding compressor station design and operation, compressors are inherently dynamic and even the smallest mechanical issue, whether true or false, can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable and unexpected which can cause compression malfunctions to occur without warning. The compressor unit was working as designed and operated normally prior to the sudden and without warning malfunction

2. Steps Taken to limit duration and magnitude of venting or flaring:

The steps taken to limit duration and magnitude of flaring was for an Oxy production tech to quickly respond to the compressor malfunction alarm and begin inspecting the unit, diagnose the issue, and make the necessary adjustments to restart the unit back to normal working service. It is OXY's policy to route all stranded gas to a flare during an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency or malfunction, in order to minimize emissions as much as possible. Internal procedures ensure that upon compressor unit shutdown, OXY production techs are promptly notified, and are instructed to assess the issue as soon as possible in order to take prompt corrective action and minimize emissions. Upon arrival, an Oxy production tech must assess whether compressor shutdown is due to damage and repair is needed, or whether there are other reasons. In this case, upon immediate arrival to the facility, an Oxy production tech performed a visual inspection of the malfunctioned compressor unit and finding no other cause for issues, simply reset the alarm control panels and restarted the unit to normal working service. As stated before, the compressor unit was working as designed and operated normally prior to the sudden and without warning malfunction.

3. Corrective Actions taken to eliminate the cause and reoccurrence of venting or flaring:

The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control, and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices. It is OXY's policy to route all stranded gas to a flare during an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency or malfunction, in order to minimize emissions as much as possible. Oxy cannot take any corrective actions to eliminate the cause and potential reoccurrence of compressor malfunctions due to as notwithstanding proper gas compressor design and operation, various forms of mechanical or technical issues, whether true or false, can be sudden, reasonably unforeseeable and unexpected which can cause compressor unit malfunctions to occur without warning or advance notice. Oxy continually strives to maintain and operate its facility equipment in a manner consistent with good practices for minimizing emissions and reducing the number of emission events. The only actions that Oxy can take and handle that is within its control, is to continue with its compression equipment preventative maintenance program for this facility's compression equipment.

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QUESTIONS

Action 37223

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Operator: OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD P.O. Box 4294 Houston, TX 772104294	OGRID: 157984
	Action Number: 37223
	Action Type: [C-129] Venting and/or Flaring (C-129)

QUESTIONS**Determination of Reporting Requirements**

Answer all questions that apply. The Reason(s) statements are calculated based on your answers and may provide additional guidance.

Was or is this venting or flaring caused by an emergency or malfunction	Yes
Did or will this venting or flaring last eight hours or more cumulatively within any 24-hour period from a single event	No
Is this considered a submission for a notification of a major venting or flaring	Yes, minor venting or flaring of natural gas.
The operator shall file a form C-141 instead of a form C-129 for a release that includes liquid during venting or flaring that is or may be a major or minor release under 19.13.297 NMAC.	
Was there or will there be at least 50 MCF of natural gas vented or flared during this event	Yes
Did this venting or flaring result in the release of ANY liquids (not fully and/or completely flared) that reached (or has a chance of reaching) the ground, a surface, a watercourse, or otherwise, with reasonable probability, endanger public health, the environment or fresh water	No

Unregistered Facility Site

Please provide the facility details, if the venting or flaring occurred or is occurring at a facility that does not have an Facility ID (##) yet.

Facility or Site Name	Not answered.
Facility Type	Not answered.

Equipment Involved

Primary Equipment Involved	Other (Specify)
Additional details for Equipment Involved. Please specify	Emergency Flare>Compressor Malfunction>Suction Control Valve Issue

Representative Compositional Analysis of Vented or Flared Natural Gas

Please provide the mole percent for the percentage questions in this group.

Methane (CH4) percentage	1
Nitrogen (N2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM, rounded up	0
Carbon Dioxide (CO2) percentage, if greater than one percent	93
Oxygen (O2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
If you are venting and/or flaring because of Pipeline Specification, please provide the required specifications for each gas.	
Methane (CH4) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Nitrogen (N2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM quality requirement	Not answered.
Carbon Dioxide (CO2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.
Oxygen (O2) percentage quality requirement	Not answered.

Date(s) and Time(s)

Date venting or flaring was discovered or commenced	06/24/2021
Time venting or flaring was discovered or commenced	02:00 AM
Is the venting or flaring event complete	Yes
Date venting or flaring was terminated	06/24/2021
Time venting or flaring was terminated	02:35 AM
Total duration of venting or flaring in hours, if venting or flaring has terminated	0
Longest duration of cumulative hours within any 24-hour period during this event	0

Measured or Estimated Volume of Vented or Flared Natural Gas

Natural Gas Vented (Mcf) Details	Not answered.
Natural Gas Flared (Mcf) Details	Cause: Other Other (Specify) Natural Gas Flared Spilled: 133 Mcf Recovered: 0 Mcf Lost: 133 Mcf]
Other Released Details	Not answered.
Additional details for Measured or Estimated Volume(s). Please specify	Not answered.
Is this a gas only submission (i.e. only Mcf values reported)	Yes, according to supplied volumes this appears to be a "gas only" report.

Venting or Flaring Resulting from Downstream Activity

Was or is this venting or flaring a result of downstream activity	No
Date notified of downstream activity requiring this venting or flaring	Not answered.
Time notified of downstream activity requiring this venting or flaring	Not answered.

Steps and Actions to Prevent Waste

For this event, the operator could not have reasonably anticipated the current event and it was beyond the operator's control.	True
Please explain reason for why this event was beyond your operator's control	See Justification Form >The emissions event was caused by the unforeseen, unexpected, sudden, and unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process that was beyond the owner/operator's control, and did not stem from activity that could have been foreseen and avoided, and could not have been avoided by good design, operation, and preventative maintenance practices.
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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
system	If the information provided in this report requires an amendment, submit a [C-129] Request to Amend Venting and/or Flaring Incident, utilizing your incident number from this event.	7/21/2021