

**EVENT SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATIONS FORM****Facility:** South Hobbs Plant**Start Date:** 09/13/2021 @ 05:56 AM**End Date:** 09/13/2021 @ 06:16 PM**Cause:** THE SOUTH PLANT FLARED WHEN "A" TRAIN WAS SHUT DOWN TO PERFORM PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE ON THE COMPRESSOR.**Duration of event:** 0:20 hours**Method of Flared Gas Measurement:** Flare Meter

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

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

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

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QUESTIONS

Action 51739

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Operator: OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD P.O. Box 4294 Houston, TX 772104294	OGRID: 157984
	Action Number: 51739
	Action Type: [C-129] Venting and/or Flaring (C-129)

**QUESTIONS****Prerequisites**

Any messages presented in this section, will prevent submission of this application. Please resolve these issues before continuing with the rest of the questions.

Incident Well	Not answered.
Incident Facility	[fJXK1530631838] South Hobbs Unit RCF

**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 and/or flaring caused by an emergency or malfunction	No
Did or will this venting and/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 venting and/or flaring event	Yes, minor venting and/or flaring of natural gas.
An operator shall file a form C-141 instead of a form C-129 for a release that, includes liquid during venting and/or flaring that is or may be a major or minor release under 19.15.29.7 NMAC.	
Was there or will there be at least 50 MCF of natural gas vented and/or flared during this event	Yes
Did this venting and/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
Was the venting and/or flaring within an incorporated municipal boundary or withing 300 feet from an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church in existence	No

**Equipment Involved**

Primary Equipment Involved	Not answered.
Additional details for Equipment Involved. Please specify	Not answered.

**Representative Compositional Analysis of Vented or Flared Natural Gas**

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

Methane (CH4) percentage	4
Nitrogen (N2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) PPM, rounded up	6,260
Carbon Dioxide (CO2) percentage, if greater than one percent	0
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.
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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 and/or flaring was discovered or commenced	09/13/2021
Time venting and/or flaring was discovered or commenced	05:56 AM
Time venting and/or flaring was terminated	06:16 AM
Cumulative hours 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	Not answered.

Other Released Details	Cause: Normal Operations   Other (Specify)   Natural Gas Flared   Released: 100 Mcf   Recovered: 0 Mcf   Lost: 100 Mcf
Additional details for Measured or Estimated Volume(s). Please specify	Not answered.
Is this a gas only submission (i.e. only significant 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 and/or flaring a result of downstream activity	Not answered.
Was notification of downstream activity received by you or your operator	Not answered.
Downstream OGRID that should have notified you or your operator	Not answered.
Date notified of downstream activity requiring this venting and/or flaring	Not answered.
Time notified of downstream activity requiring this venting and/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	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 sales gas to a flare during an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency or malfunction, in order to minimize emissions as much as possible. The flare is regularly monitored to the ensure flame is lit and meeting opacity requirements.
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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
ralvarado	If the information provided in this report requires an amendment, submit a [C-129] Amend Venting and/or Flaring Incident (C-129A), utilizing your incident number from this event.	9/24/2021