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Remedial Activities and Closure Report

Lime Rock Resources

West Red Lake Water Station No.1

2RP-1675

Dear Mr. Bratcher,

MIDLAND 290I State Hwy 349 Midland, Texas 79706 Phone 432,522,2133 Fax 432,522,2180

Lime Rock Resources (Lime Rock) has contracted Talon/LPE (Talon) to perform soil and surface water remediation services at the above referenced location. The incident description, soil and water sampling results, remediation activities and closure request are submitted herein.

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#### **Incident Date**

The release was discovered May 27, 2013 at approximately 7:00 am

#### **Location Information**

SAN ANTONIO II Commercial Place Schertz, Texas 78154 Phone 210.265.8025 Fax 210.568.2191 The West Red Lake Water Station #1 is located approximately fifteen (15) miles southeast of Artesia, New Mexico. The legal location for the site is Unit B Section 7 Township 18S Range 27E, in Eddy County, New Mexico. More specifically the latitude and longitude for the release are 32.76852 north -104.31437 west.

#### **Incident Description**

On May 27, 2013 an alarm malfunctioned causing tanks to overflow into secondary containment. The secondary containment subsequently failed causing the release of produced fluids, mainly water. The fluids flowed south across the location and into a draw. Once the fluids reached the draw it flowed south and west down the draw for approximately ½ mile. The draw drains into the Pecos River. The fluid entered the river at the end of the draw and flowed for approximately 3 miles downriver.

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#### **Emergency Response**

Talon/LPE, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD), the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), the New Mexico State Police and New Mexico Game and Fish (NMGF) were notified immediately upon discovery of the release by Lime Rock personnel management. Talon personnel mobilized to conduct emergency response activities and arrived onsite approximately one hour after notification. Oil sorbent booms were placed at the "river entry point" to keep any more product from entering the river. Oil sorbent booms were also placed at the end of the product flow in the river to stop the flow of oil from moving further down the river. Oil sorbent booms were also placed in 4 separate locations in the river to impede and minimize the amount of crude oil product migrating downriver. At the direction of Mike Bratcher of NMOCD booms were placed at a 5<sup>th</sup> location (approximately ½ mile downstream of the 4<sup>th</sup> oil sorbent boom location) to monitor for any oil making it that far down the river and potentially threatening Lake Brantley. No oil ever reached this last set of booms.

Talon placed oil skimmers in the river ahead of the booms where oil and debris were collecting. Eleven (11) vacuum trucks were utilized to recover free-phase oil along with impacted water. Vacuum trucks were utilized daily during the surface water remediation process.

Concurrent with the remedial activities taking place in the river, a containment area (lined sump) was constructed near the end of the draw leading to the river in order to collect and recover the released fluids that were continuing to flow down the draw. Vacuum trucks were used to recover product from the lined containment area and were sent for disposal at CRI landfill.

Talon mobilized an excavator to remove the impacted soil near the river entry point. Soil samples were taken from this excavation. Surface water samples were collected at the river entry point and background surface water samples were also taken upstream of the river entry point. Laboratory analysis results are discussed subsequently herein. Five site maps are attached.

Remediation activities also were undertaken at the upgradient tank battery which was the source area of this release. The hi-level alarm, tank and tank battery containment were repaired by Lime Rock personnel and contractors. The impacted soil in this area and in the flow path leading to the draw was excavated by Talon personnel and transported to Lea Land, LLC for disposal. The excavated areas were sampled and the soil samples were sent to Cardinal Laboratories in Hobbs, New Mexico for analysis. Upon receipt of acceptable sampling results, the excavation was backfilled with permission from the BLM. Multiple caliche berms and water bars were subsequently constructed down gradient of the tank battery to act as additional containment in the event of another loss.

Water trucks were utilized at the head of the draw to flush fresh water through the flow path of the release. This water was captured and recovered from a second lined containment sump constructed near the top of the draw. Upon completion of their use, both the catch basins were subsequently excavated and sent to Lea Land for disposal.

A controlled burn was undertaken by the BLM in the rugged and heavily vegetated center of the draw leading to the river. This allowed for the removal of the oil-impacted grasses and provided access to the flow paths which were subsequently excavated by Talon personnel under the direction of the BLM.

## Remedial Activities (Surface)

- The lower portion of the draw was excavated to a depth of 2 to 3-feet deep within the impacted flow paths. Grab soil samples were taken at sample locations S-1 (2'), S-1 (3'), S-2 (2'), S-3 (2'), S-4 (2'), S-5 (2'), and S-5 (3').
- Fluid catchment areas (lined sumps) were constructed at the upper and lower portions of the draw. The rocks and soil in this area were washed and the fluid was recovered from the catchment area with vac trucks.
- The impacted soil area at the river entry point was excavated to a depth of 3-feet deep. Grab soil samples were taken at sample locations S-1 (3') and S-2 (3').
- The impacted soil in the vicinity of the tank battery (source) was initially excavated to a depth of 0.5-feet below ground surface (bgs). Grab soil samples were collected at sample locations S-3, S-4, and S-5. The lab data reported for sample location S-5 was above NMOCD Recommended Remedial Action Levels (RRAL). The impacted area was then excavated further to a depth of 1.5-feet bgs. Additional grab soil samples were taken at sample locations S-5 (1.5'), S-6 (1.5'), and S-7 (1.5') (See site maps of sample locations).

#### Remedial Activities (River)

- Oil sorbent booms were placed in the river to retard the flow of the free product so that the lost fluids could be recovered using oil skimmers and vacuum trucks. The booms were placed in a total of (5) locations. (See site map of boom locations).
- At the river entry point of the release, water samples were collected at W-1 and BG-1 (background, upgradient water sample). A sample of the iron sulfide material collecting in the slow-water eddys along the bottom of the river was obtained at RS-1 (river sediment samples) (See site map of sample locations).
- Additional surface water samples were taken approximately 20-feet upstream and downstream of the 4<sup>th</sup> boom location at sample locations W-2 and W-3. A water sample was also obtained approximately 1/2 mile downstream of the 4<sup>th</sup> boom location at sample location W-4. (See site map of sample locations).
- Approximately 0.7 miles downstream from the entry point of the release, surface water and river sediment samples were taken in a deep area of the river. These sample points are identified as RS-2 and W-5. (See site map of sample locations).

Roustabout crews were utilized in the river to remove vegetation, soil and other debris that were saturated by or obstructing the flow of oil. The objective was to facilitate the flow of oil to our booms so that it could be removed using oil skimmers and vacuum trucks. The roustabout crews with Talon personnel made 3 "passes" through the impacted area of the Pecos River.

\*All soil samples were collected by Talon personnel wearing clean nitrile gloves. The soil samples were placed in laboratory provided sample containers and transported to Cardinal Laboratories in Hobbs, New Mexico for analysis. The samples were tested for a combination TPH (Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons) using EPA Method 8015M, volatile organics (BTEX) using EPA Method 8021B, total Chloride concentration using Method SM4500CL-B, and Metals using Method 8 RCRA The complete laboratory reports are attached.

### Laboratory Results (Tank Battery Location)

Laboratory results detailed on the attached laboratory report are summarized below:

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(ND)	Analyte Not Detected
()	Analyte Not Tested

Sample ID	Depth (feet)	BTEX (mg/kg)	Chlorides (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg) GRO	TPH (mg/kg) DRO
S-3	0.5	ND	160	ND	ND
S-4	0.5	ND	448	ND	ND
S-5	0.5	ND	1200	ND	336
S-5	1.5	2.74	64	ND	ND
S-6	1.5	0.364	160	14.1	ND
S-7	1.5	0.160	112	ND	ND

## Laboratory Results (Draw)

Sample ID	Depth (feet)	BTEX (mg/kg)	Chlorides (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg) GRO	TPH (mg/kg) DRO
S-1	2	ND	80	ND	ND
S-1	3	ND	112	ND	ND
S-2	2	ND	848	ND	ND
S-3	2	ND	112	ND	ND
S-4	2	ND	544	ND	ND
S-5	2	ND	1840	ND	683
S-5	3	ND	432	ND	ND
S-5 Confirmation	3	ND	112	ND	ND

# **Laboratory Results (Excavation at River Entry)**

Sample ID	Depth (feet)	BTEX (mg/kg)	Chlorides (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg) GRO	TPH (mg/kg) DRO
S-1	3		384	ND	ND
S-2	3		416	ND	ND

# **Laboratory Results (River Water)**

Sample ID	Chlorides (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg) GRO	TPH (mg/kg) DRO
BG-1	4200	ND	ND
W-1	4300	ND	ND
W-2	4300	ND	ND
W-3	4300	ND	ND
W-4	4200	ND	2.66
W-5	4450	ND	683

# **Laboratory Results (River Sediment)**

## RS-1

BTEX (mg/kg)	Chlorides (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg) GRO	TPH (mg/kg) DRO	1	senic g/kg)	arium ng/kg)	
ND	1300	104	53600	1	VD	215	
Cadmium (mg/kg)	Chromiui (mg/kg)				Silve (mg/l	Mercur (mg/kg	-
ND	6.21	ND	ND		ND	ND	

## RS-2

BTEX (mg/kg)	Chlorides (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg) GRO	TPH (mg/kg) DRO	Arse (mg		-	rium g/kg)	
ND	816	ND	35.1	N	D	9	2.8	
Cadmium (mg/kg)	Chromiur (mg/kg)		100.0		Silve (mg/		Mecu (mg/l	
ND	ND	ND	ND		ND	)	ND	

## **Summary and Conclusions**

Remedial activities for the land surface portion of this project were conducting following BLM and NMOCD direction and using laboratory data as a guide for completion of activities. All impacted soil from this incident that was feasible to excavate has been removed. Upon permission to backfill from the BLM, the excavated areas were backfilled using clean fill materials that matched the specific terrain.

Remedial activities for the river aspect of this project was also conducted following BLM supervision. Contaminated vegetation, soil, debris and free-phase floating oil product were removed from the river. There is currently no visible signs of product remaining in the river relating to this release. All oil sorbent booms have been removed from the river.

A total of 3,787 yards of contaminated soil were disposed of at Lea Land, LLC. Sixteen (16) truckloads of debris from the Pecos River and 4,100 barrels of impacted surface water were land filled at CRI, Inc. Two thousand one hundred sixty-five (2,165) yards of top soil were utilized to back fill the excavated areas within the draw and river entry point. The remediated area at the tank battery was restored (excavated areas and berm constructions) using 1,061 yards of caliche.

### **Closure Request**

On behalf of Lime Rock Resources, we respectfully request that no further actions be required and that closure with regard to this release be granted.

If we can provide additional information or be of further assistance, please contact our office at (575)-746-8768.

Respectfully submitted,

TALON/LPE

Sheldon Hitchcock

**Environmental Scientist** 

David J. Adkins District Manager

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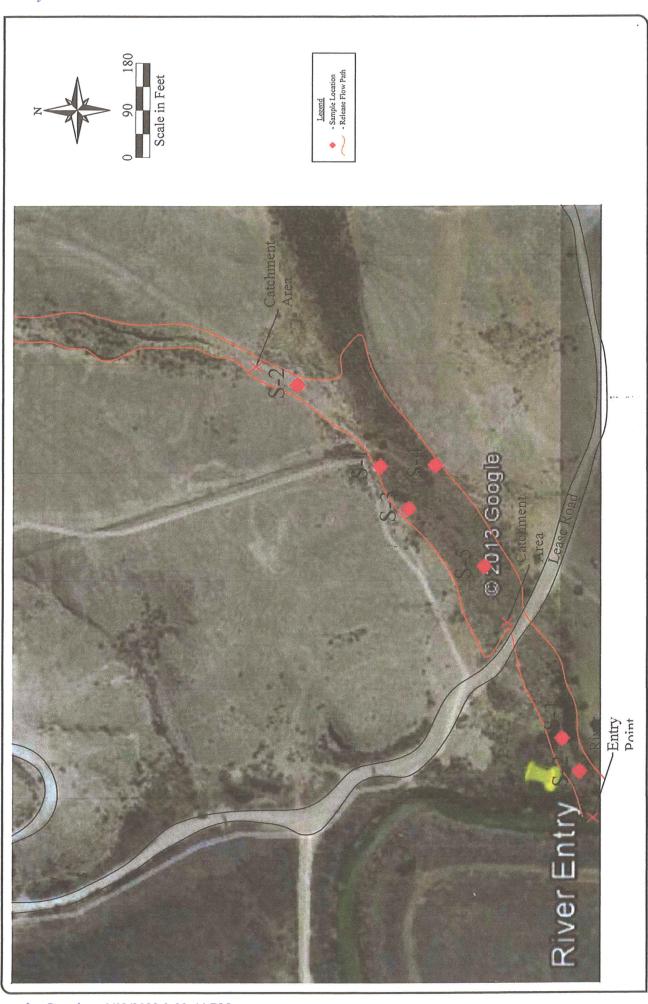


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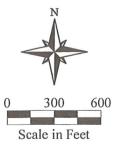
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- Release Flow Path

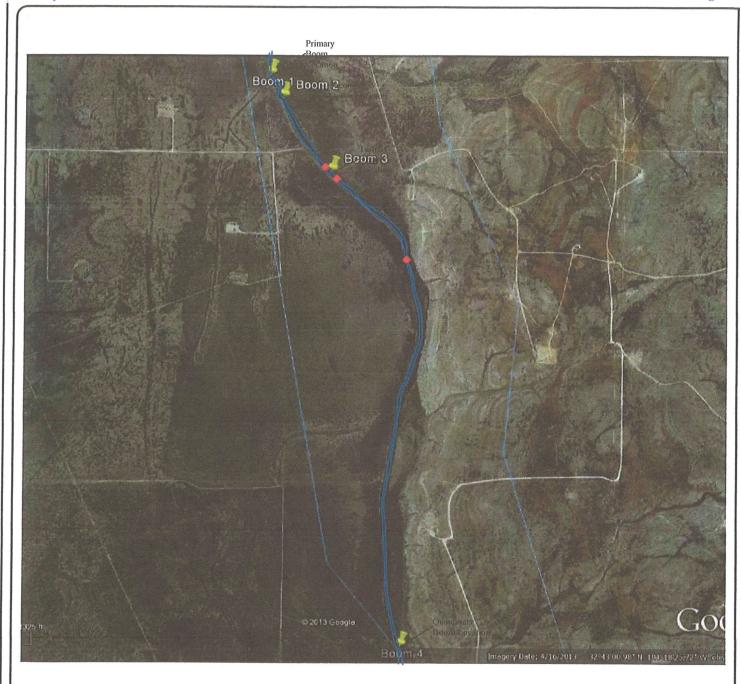


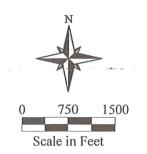
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Figure 1 - Site Plan





## Legend



- Sample Location

- Release Flow Path



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Figure 1 - Site Plan

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	Release Notification and Corrective Action					
OPERATOR Initial Report Final Report						
Name of Company: LIME ROCK RESOURCES II-A, LP	Contact: Mike Barrett					
Address: 1111 Bagby Street Suite 4600, Houston, TX 77002	Telephone No.: 575-623-8424 Facility Type: West Red Lake Unit	Weter Station #1				
Facility Name: West Red Lake #41						
Surface Owner; BLM Mineral Owner	; BLM	Lease No. : API #30-015-28443				
	ON OF RELEASE					
Unit Letter Section Township Range Feet from the Nor B 18S 27B 330° FNI		est Line   County Eddy				
Latitude 32.76852 N	Longitude -104,31437 W					
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Type of Release : Produced Fluids (70% PW & 30% OIL)	Volume of Release: 1685 bbls	Volume Recovered; 560 bbls recovered from containment & 1200 bbls recovered				
		from Pecos River on 5/27/13				
Source of Release : Alarm malfunction & secondary containment failur	Date and Hour of Occurrence: 5/26/13 am	Date and Hour of Discovery: 5/27/13 7:00 am				
Was Immediate Notice Given?	If YES, To Whom?	1100 000				
☑ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Require						
By Whom? Mike Barrett w/LRR Was a Watercourse Reached?	Date and Hour: 5/27/13 @ 7:00 am  If YES, Volume Impacting the Water	SAMITE A				
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I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to	the best of my knowledge and understand	d that pursuant to NMOCD rules and				
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Title: Production Supervisor	Approval Date: 6/17/14 B	xpiration Date: N				
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#### Release Notification and Corrective Action **OPERATOR** Initial Report Final Report Name of Company: LIME ROCK RESOURCES II-A, LP Contact: Mike Barrett Address: 1111 Bagby Street Suite 4600, Houston, TX 77002 Telephone No.: 575-623-8424 Facility Name: West Red Lake #41 Facility Type: West Red Lake Unit Water Station #1 Surface Owner: BLM Mineral Owner: BLM Lease No.: API #30-015-28443 LOCATION OF RELEASE Unit Letter Section North/South Line Township Range Feet from the Feet from the East/West Line County Eddy B 188 330° FNI. 1800' FEL Latitude 32.76852 N Longitude -104.31437 W NATURE OF RELEASE Type of Release: Produced Fluids (70% PW & 30% OIL) Volume of Release: 1685 bbls Volume Recovered: 560 bbls recovered from containment & 1200 bbls recovered from Pecos River on 5/27/13 Source of Release: Alarm malfunction & secondary containment failure Date and Hour of Occurrence: Date and Hour of Discovery: 5/27/13 7:00 am 5/26/13 am Was Immediate Notice Given? If YES, To Whom? BLM, OCD, State Police, EPA By Whom? Mike Barrett w/LRR Date and Hour: 5/27/13 @ 7:00 am Was a Watercourse Reached? If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. ☑ Yes ☐ No 563 bbls If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\* Produced fluids exited location and flowed down the draw into the Pecos River for approximately 3 miles. Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\* The alarm malfunctioned causing tanks to overflow into secondary containment. The secondary containment failed causing the release of produced fluids to flow 1/2 mile down the draw into the Pecos River. All wells were shut in, the alarm was replaced and the impacted flow path in the draw was flushed with fresh water into lined pit at the bottom. Vacuum trucks (11) were immediately called to the location on 5/27/13. A berm was constructed at the bottom of the draw. Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\* 1/2 mile down the draw and approximately 3 miles of the Pecos River was effected. Vac trucks were called to the location and west side of river. Sorbent boons were stretched across the river in 4 places, oil skimmers were used to recover free product and impacted water. 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. OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Signature: Approved by District Supervisor: Printed Name: Michael Barrett Title: Production Supervisor Approval Date: Expiration Date: E-mail Address: mbarrett@limerockresources.com Conditions of Approval: Attached

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