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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural  
Resources Department

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141  
Revised August 24, 2018  
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

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| Incident ID    | NAPP2219531141 |
| District RP    |                |
| Facility ID    |                |
| Application ID |                |

## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Responsible Party <b>Apache Corporation</b>                                | OGRID <b>873</b>                      |
| Contact Name <b>Larry Baker</b>                                            | Contact Telephone <b>432-215-2284</b> |
| Contact email <b>larry.baker@apachecorp.com</b>                            | Incident # (assigned by OCD)          |
| Contact mailing address <b>303 Veterans Airpark Lane Midland, TX 79705</b> |                                       |

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.468338 Longitude -103.155122  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

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|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Site Name <b>Argo Battery</b>             | Site Type <b>Battery</b> |
| Date Release Discovered <b>07/07/2022</b> | API# (if applicable)     |

| Unit Letter | Section   | Township   | Range      | County     |
|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>C</b>    | <b>22</b> | <b>21S</b> | <b>37E</b> | <b>Lea</b> |

Surface Owner: ☒ State ☐ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private (Name: Millard Deck Estates)

### Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

|                                                    |                                                                                |                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil                 | Volume Released (bbls)                                                         | Volume Recovered (bbls)                                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water | Volume Released (bbls) <b>69 barrels</b>                                       | Volume Recovered (bbls) <b>50 barrels</b>                           |
|                                                    | Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condensate                | Volume Released (bbls)                                                         | Volume Recovered (bbls)                                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas               | Volume Released (Mcf)                                                          | Volume Recovered (Mcf)                                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)          | Volume/Weight Released (provide units)                                         | Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)                             |

Cause of Release **2 inch steel line failed due to external corrosion.**

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| Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                            | If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release?<br><b>greater than 25 barrels</b> |
| If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?<br><b>Larry Baker notified Mike Bratcher via email on 7/8/2022.</b> |                                                                                                                        |

### Initial Response

*The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury*

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                            |
| If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why:<br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                            |
| Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                            |
| I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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. |                                            |
| Printed Name: <u>Larry Baker</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Title: <u>Environmental Tech Sr. Staff</u> |
| Signature: <u><i>Larry Baker</i></u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Date: <u>7/14/2022</u>                     |
| email: <u>larry.baker@apachecorp.com</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Telephone: <u>432-215-2284</u>             |
| <b><u>OCD Only</u></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                            |
| Received by: <u>Jocelyn Harimon</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Date: <u>07/14/2022</u>                    |

**Volume Calculation**

322 cubic feet of soil contamination X 7.48 gallons per cubic foot = 2415 gallons/42 gallons to a barrel= 157.50 barrels X .33 soil porosity= 18.97 barrels + 50 barrels recovered= 68.97 barrels lost.

**From:** [Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD](#)  
**To:** [Baker, Larry](#)  
**Cc:** [Bole, Barrett](#)  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Release notification  
**Date:** Friday, July 8, 2022 10:20:05 AM

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Bruce,

Thank you for the notification. Please include a copy in the remediation/closure report for documentation in the project files.

Thanks,

**Mike Bratcher** • Incident Supervisor  
Environmental Bureau  
EMNRD - Oil Conservation Division  
506 W. Texas Ave | Artesia, NM 88210  
(575) 626-0857 | [mike.bratcher@state.nm.us](mailto:mike.bratcher@state.nm.us)  
<http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/>



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**From:** Baker, Larry <Larry.Baker@apachecorp.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 8, 2022 8:43 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD <mike.bratcher@state.nm.us>  
**Cc:** Bole, Barrett <Barrett.Bole@apachecorp.com>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Release notification

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Mr. Bratcher,

Apache Corporation discovered a release at the Argo Battery (GPS: 32.46811, -103.15530) due to a 2 inch line failure resulting in the loss of 60 barrels of produced water with 50 barrels of produced water recovered. Please let me know if you have any questions or wish to discuss. Thanks and have a good day.

**BRUCE BAKER**  
ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICIAN SR STAFF  
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APACHE CORPORATION

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CONDITIONS

Action 125352

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Operator:<br>APACHE CORPORATION<br>303 Veterans Airpark Ln<br>Midland, TX 79705 | OGRID:<br>873                                             |
|                                                                                 | Action Number:<br>125352                                  |
|                                                                                 | Action Type:<br>[C-141] Release Corrective Action (C-141) |

CONDITIONS

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| Created By | Condition | Condition Date |
| jharimon   | None      | 7/14/2022      |