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Form C-141  
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Release Notification and Corrective Action

NMLB 1122228231

OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company	COG OPERATING LLC 229/37	Contact	Pat Ellis
Address	550 W. Texas, Suite 100, Midland, TX 79701	Telephone No.	432-230-0077
Facility Name	Sagebrush Federal	Facility Type	Tank Battery

Surface Owner	Federal	Mineral Owner		Lease No. (API#)	30-015-33910
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
J	34	18S	27E					Eddy

Latitude 32 42.105 Longitude 104 15.876

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Condensate	Volume of Release	217bbls	Volume Recovered	0bbls
Source of Release	Hole in bottom of tank	Date and Hour of Occurrence	07/11/2011	Date and Hour of Discovery	07/11/2011 6:00 p.m.
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Mike Bratcher-OCD		
By Whom?	Josh Russo	Date and Hour	07/13/2011 10:18 a.m.		
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

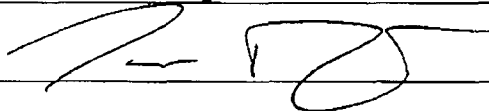
A hole developed in the bottom of the oil tank causing the release of condensate. The tank has been taken out of service and will be switched with a new tank.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

Initially 217bbls of condensate were released from the oil tank and we were unable to recover any fluid with a vacuum truck. The release area is located directly where the tank was sitting inside the tank battery. Tetra Tech will sample the spill site area to delineate any possible contamination from the release and we will present a remediation work plan to the BLM/NMOCD for approval prior to any significant remediation work.

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:



Printed Name:

Josh Russo

Title:

HSE Coordinator

E-mail Address:

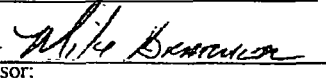
jrusso@conchoresources.com

Date: 07/25/2011

Phone: 432-212-2399

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Signed By



Approved by District Supervisor:

Approval Date: AUG 10 2011

Expiration Date:

Conditions of Approval:

Attached ☐

Remediation per OCD Rules &  
Guidelines. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION  
PROPOSAL NOT LATER THAN:**

2RP-818

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 25, 2011 3:52 PM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; 'james\_amos@nm.blm.gov'  
**Cc:** terry\_gregston@nm.blm.gov; Tavaréz, Ike; Dorey, Kim; tom.k.franklin@tetrattech.com  
**Subject:** C-141 - Sagebrush Federal #1 TB  
**Attachments:** SAGEBRUSH FEDERAL #1 TANK BATTERY -- DATE OF RELEASE -- 07-11-2011.pdf

Please see attached the C-141 Initial Report for a release that occurred at the Sagebrush Federal #1 Tank Battery on 07/11/2011.

Thank you,

### **Joshua Russo**

HSE Coordinator  
550 W. Texas Ave, Suite 100  
Midland, Texas 79701  
Phone: (432) 683-7443  
Cell: (432) 212-2399  
[jrusso@conchoresources.com](mailto:jrusso@conchoresources.com)



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**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Joshua Russo [jrusso@concho.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 13, 2011 10:18 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Pat Ellis  
**Subject:** Immediate Notification - Sagebrush Federal Com #1 Release

Mr. Bratcher,

Please see below the detailed description of an immediately reportable release:

On 7-11-11 at 6:00pm, 217bbls of condensate leaked out of tank #62883 due to a hole in bottom of tank. We were unable to recover any of the released fluid. All contaminated soil within unlined dike will be scraped, removed and hauled off location to appropriate disposal. We will follow up with a C-141 Initial Report.

GPS coordinates, driving directions, and legal, listed below.

N32\* 42.105' W104\* 15.876'

Sagebrush Federal Com #1

Sec.34-T18S-R27E

South of Hwy 82 on CR-206, go approximately 5 miles to Oil Center Rd, T/W to Ranch House. After Ranch House continue 2.8 miles west, T/S 1.6 miles, T/W 0.5 miles to location.

Thank you,

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