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Form C-141  
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**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**OPERATOR**  Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company Apache Corporation	Contact Natalie Gladden	
Address P.O. Box 1849	Telephone No. 575-390-4186	
Facility Name Melot #2	Facility Type Production well	
Surface Owner	Mineral Owner NMOCD	Lease No. 30-025-38700

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
C	11	20S	38E	330'	FNL	1690'	FWL	Lea

Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release Hydrocarbon	Volume of Release 6	Volume Recovered 5
Source of Release BPV/Gauge	Date and Hour of Occurrence 10/11/2010 unknown	Date and Hour of Discovery 10/11/2010 9am
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	
By Whom? Natalie Gladden	Date and Hour Larry Johnson 10/11/2010 1030am	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	

Was a Watercourse Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*  
Beard back pressure valve plugged off with a piece of rubber, pressured up at the wellhead and blew end out of 600# gauge.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*  
All of the fluid remained on the location pad. The saturated soil was immediately excavated and hauled to Sundance Services. Remediation will continue until the NMOCD rules and guidelines area followed to closure.

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: <i>Natalie Gladden</i>	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Natalie Gladden	Approved by District Supervisor:	
Title: EHS Environmental Tech	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: natalie.gladden@apachecorp.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 10/20/10 Phone: 575-390-4186		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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DW = 25'

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Signature: <i>Natalie Gladden</i>	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Natalie Gladden	<i>Jeffrey Sekins</i> Approved by District Supervisor <b>Environmental Specialist</b>	
Title: EHS Environmental Tech	Approval Date: 8/9/12	Expiration Date: -
E-mail Address: natalie.gladden@apachecorp.com	Conditions of Approval: -	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 07/27/12 Phone: 575-390-4186		IRP-6-14-3107

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Melot #2

Lea County

Unit C, 11, 20S, 38E

330' FNL and 1690' FWL

API # 30-025-38700

Prepared by: Natalie Gladden

Apache Corporation

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Dear Geoffrey,

Attached you will find a copy of the original C141, Final C141, a diagram of the contamination for final samples along with sample points with sample results, which includes a spreadsheet of field data samples gathered by Rex Operating and final analyticals taken from this site.

With this information that is provided, Apache Corporation respectfully requests your review and approval of the Closure Document for the hydrocarbon and produced water release that occurred at the Apache Melot #2.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,



Natalie Gladden

EH&S Environmental Tech

Permian New Mexico District

The purpose of this report is to document the remediation activities and present supporting analytical data to the NMOCD, requesting closure of the referenced hydrocarbon and produced water release incident in accordance with the Guidelines for Remediation of Leaks, Spills and Releases.

On October 11<sup>th</sup> 2010, the beard back pressure valve plugged off with a piece of rubber from the stuffing box packing, pressured up at the wellhead and blew out the 600# gauge. Approximately 6bbls of fluid was released and 5bbls of fluid was recovered.

The contaminated soil was excavated, 1009 cubic yards of contaminated soil was taken to Sundance Services for disposal. Approximately 1112 cubic yards of clean material was purchased from a local landowner for backfill.

Based on the analytical results of the confirmation soil samples collected from the excavation and which confirmed that the soil was less than the Standard of 250-ppm chlorides. Consequently, no further action is recommended or planned for this site at this time and on behalf of Apache Corporation we respectfully request that the NMOCD grant closure for the Apache Melot #2 release.

December 22, 2010

NATALIE GLADDEN  
APACHE - EUNICE  
P. O. BOX 1849  
EUNICE, NM 88231

RE: APACHE MELOT #2

Enclosed are the results of analyses for samples received by the laboratory on 12/17/10 16:00.

Cardinal Laboratories is accredited through Texas NELAP for:

Method SW-846 8021	Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes
Method SW-846 8260	Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene, and Total Xylenes
Method TX 1005	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons

Certificate number T104704398-08-TX. Accreditation applies to solid and chemical materials and non-potable water matrices.

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Method EPA 552.2	Haloacetic Acids (HAA-5)
Method EPA 524.2	Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)
Method EPA 524.4	Regulated VOCs (V2, V3)

Accreditation applies to public drinking water matrices.

This report meets NELAP requirements and is made up of a cover page, analytical results, and a copy of the original chain-of-custody. If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Celey D. Keene  
Lab Director/Quality Manager

**Analytical Results For:**

APACHE - EUNICE  
 NATALIE GLADDEN  
 P. O. BOX 1849  
 EUNICE NM, 88231  
 Fax To: 394-2425

Received: 12/17/2010  
 Reported: 12/22/2010  
 Project Name: APACHE MELOT #2  
 Project Number: NONE GIVEN  
 Project Location: NOT GIVEN

Sampling Date: 12/17/2010  
 Sampling Type: Soil  
 Sampling Condition: \*\* (See Notes)  
 Sample Received By: Jodi Henson

**Sample ID: 5 PT BOTTOM COMP (H021560-01)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	16.0	16.0	12/21/2010	ND	432	108	400	0.00		

**Sample ID: NORTH WALL (H021560-02)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	96.0	16.0	12/21/2010	ND	432	108	400	0.00		

**Sample ID: SOUTH WALL (H021560-03)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	<16.0	16.0	12/21/2010	ND	432	108	400	0.00		

**Sample ID: EAST WALL (H021560-04)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	16.0	16.0	12/21/2010	ND	432	108	400	0.00		

**Sample ID: WEST WALL (H021560-05)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: HM						
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier	
Chloride	96.0	16.0	12/21/2010	ND	432	108	400	0.00		

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*Celcy D. Keene*

### Notes and Definitions

- ND Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
- RPD Relative Percent Difference
- \*\* Samples not received at proper temperature of 6°C or below.
- \*\*\* Insufficient time to reach temperature.
- Chloride by SM4500C-B does not require samples be received at or below 6°C  
Samples reported on an as received basis (wet) unless otherwise noted on report

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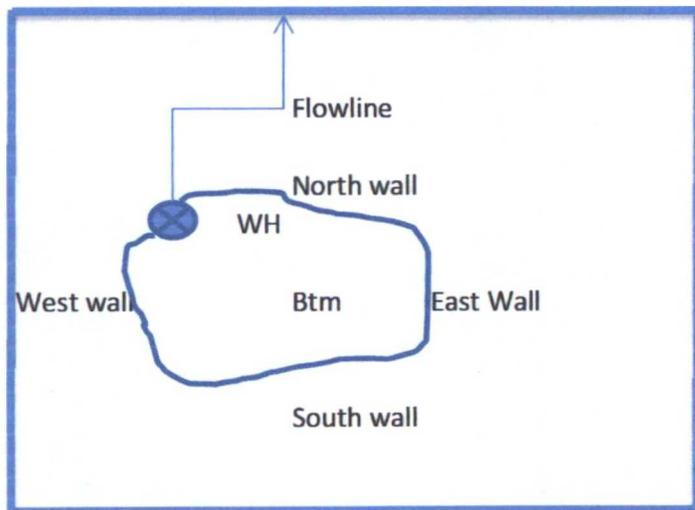


### MeLot #2 Field Data

Sample Point	Water	Soil	AgNO	Cl-
North Wall	30.4	11.8	0.06	155
East Wall	33.2	12.3	0.05	135
South Wall	30.9	10.4	0.05	149
West Wall	30.6	12.4	0.07	173
NE Corner Bttm	33.8	14.8	0.06	137
NW Corner Bttm	31.4	13.2	0.04	95
Center Bttm	31.9	12.1	0.05	132
SE Corner Bttm	31.7	13.6	0.03	70
SW Corner Bttm	31.4	15.6	0.06	121
5 pt. Bttm Comp.	32.1	13.2	0.06	146

Melot #2

Release date: 10/11/2010



Sample ID	CHL
5pt Btm	16
North wall	96
South wall	<16
East wall	16
West wall	96