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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

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

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Submit Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

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Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company	WPX Energy Inc/RKI	Contact	Karolina Blaney
Address	5315 Buena Vista Dr.	Telephone No.	970 589 0743
Facility Name:	RDU 61	Facility Type:	Well Pad

Surface Owner: Federal	Mineral Owner: Federal	API No. 30- 015-41980
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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
P	27	26S	30E	990	FSL	710	FEL	Eddy

Latitude: 32.030564 N Longitude: -103.8912511 W

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release. Produced Water and Oil	Volume of Release: 15 Bbls	Volume Recovered: 13 Bbls
Source of Release Wellhead	Date and Hour of Occurrence 10/30/16	Date and Hour of Discovery 10/30/16 - 1030 hrs MT
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? NMOCD Heather Patterson & Michael Bratcher, BLM Shelly Tucker	
By Whom? Karolina Blaney	Date and Hour: 11/10/16- 14:20 hrs MT	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. N/A	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\* N/A

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

This spill was caused by mechanical failure. A stainless steel line between the wellhead and Murphy's switch failed allowing produced water and oil to spill on location. Approximately 10 bbls of water and 3 bbls of oil were recovered with a vac truck. This spill did not leave the well pad location.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

The impacted area was mapped and sampled for BTEX, TPH, and chlorides in accordance with NM OCD Guidelines for Remediation of Leaks, Spills, and Releases. The organic compounds tested below the OCD's cleanup thresholds however chloride concentrations are exceeding the cleanup standard of 1000 mg/kg. The impacted area will be delineated horizontally and vertically utilizing either a hand held auger or a backhoe. Further remediation will be based on the delineation results.

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>Karolina Blaney</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: Karolina Blaney	Approved by Environmental Specialist: <i>[Signature]</i>	
Title: Environmental Specialist	Approval Date: 11/14/16	Expiration Date: N/A
E-mail Address: Karolina.blaney@wpenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date: 11/10/2016	Phone: 970-589-0743	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

2RP-3989

## **Patterson, Heather, EMNRD**

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**From:** Blaney, Karolina <Karolina.Blaney@wpxenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 12, 2016 4:35 PM  
**To:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; 'stucker@blm.gov'  
**Subject:** RE: WPX RDU 61 - initial C-141  
**Attachments:** RDU 61 - C-141.doc

Good afternoon,  
Attached is C-141 for the RDU 61 spill.  
Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.  
Thank you,

*Karolina Blaney*  
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**From:** Blaney, Karolina  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 01, 2016 2:19 PM  
**To:** 'Patterson, Heather, EMNRD' <Heather.Patterson@state.nm.us>; 'Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD' <mike.bratcher@state.nm.us>; 'stucker@blm.gov' <stucker@blm.gov>  
**Subject:** WPX RDU 61 - spill notification

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Thank you and have a great afternoon,

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## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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