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

Form C-141
 Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate
 District Office in accordance
 with Rule 116 on back
 side of form

Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

Initial Report Final Report

Name of Company: El Paso Natural Gas Company	Contact: Glen Thompson	
Address: 3300 North A Street, Bld. Two, #200, Midland, TX 79705	Telephone No.: (432) 686-3268	
Facility Name: Pipe Line 30131	Facility Type: Pipe Line	
Surface Owner	Mineral Owner	Lease No.

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
	1	20	36 East	1420.7	North of South Line	112.6	East of Centerline of Section 1	Lea

Latitude North 32° 35.942' Longitude West 103° 18.53'

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: Hydrotest Water	Volume of Release: 1000 gallons	Volume Recovered: None
Source of Release: Rupture of Line 30131 (16" diameter) from Eunice to Monument	Date and Hour of Occurrence: 11/13/08 1:51 p.m. MST	Date and Hour of Discovery: 11/13/08 1:51 p.m. MST
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Buddy Hill	
By Whom? Glen Thompson	Date and Hour: 11/13/08 3:55 p.m. MST	
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.*
 Not applicable.

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*

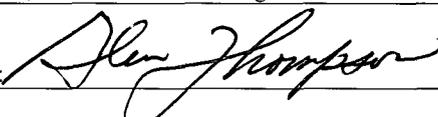
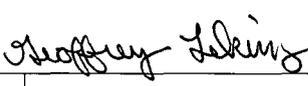
During a hydrotest of the El Paso Natural Gas Line 30131, the pipeline failed and released approximately 1,000 gallons of hydrotest water. For additional information concerning the release, please see the initial C-141 notification, IRP-2015, dated November 24, 2008. EPNG collected a water sample on November 14, 2008 from the pipeline release and submitted it to the lab for analysis. The lab results indicated that the concentrations of chlorides, 350 mg/L, exceeded the state water quality standards. EPNG submitted an electronic copy of the lab results to the NMOCD for review on December 3, 2008. The NMOCD directed EPNG to collect subsurface soil samples at approximately 2 feet and 4 feet below the pipe rupture and to analyze the soil samples for chlorides.

On January 13, 2009, EPNG collected two soil samples from beneath the rupture and two soil samples in an area away from the release to assist with determining what the background levels for chlorides were for the area. Samples 1 and 2, from underneath the pipeline rupture, yielded chloride concentrations of 36 mg/Kg and 32 mg/Kg respectively; well below the state's action level for chlorides. Samples 3 and 4, representing background levels, yielded chloride concentrations of 27 mg/Kg and 28 mg/Kg respectively.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

Based on the lab results, EPNG is requesting that the NMOCD close this release with no further action required.

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: 	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: Glen Thompson	Approved by District Supervisor: 	
Title: Principal Environmental Representative	Approval Date: 02/17/2009	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: glen.thompson@elpaso.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: February 6, 2009 Phone: (432) 686-3268		

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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