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**GENERAL  
CORRESPONDENCE**

**YEAR(S):**  
2009

**Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD**

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**From:** Jason Henry [JHenry@paalp.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2009 12:58 PM  
**To:** Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD  
**Cc:** Johnson, Larry, EMNRD; Jeffrey P Dann  
**Subject:** Plains DCP Plant to Lea Station 6-inch Section 31 site-groundwater impact  
**Attachments:** DCP Sec. 31 Initial C141.pdf

Ed,

Below and attached are the site specific details regarding the voice mail I left you earlier in the week. Please accept this email as notification of crude oil impacted groundwater at the following Plains Pipeline site:

**DCP Plant to Lea Station 6-inch Section 31 site, 1RP-2166 (copy of Initial C-141 attached)**

The groundwater impact was discovered upon receiving analytical data from a groundwater sample that was collected during the process of advancing a soil boring at the site to determine the vertical extent of impacted soil. Upon encountering groundwater, a temporary monitor well was placed in the borehole so that a groundwater sample could be collected. The temporary monitor well was removed and the borehole was plugged after the groundwater sample was collected. The analytical data for the groundwater sample indicated that concentrations of Benzene and Toluene exceeded their respective NMWQCC regulatory limits. Additional monitoring wells will be installed at the site pending approval from the New Mexico State Land Office.

Plains will submit future correspondence regarding site activities to you and will submit copies of the correspondence to Larry at the District 1 office in Hobbs.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you,  
Jason Henry  
575-441-1099

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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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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	Plains Pipeline, LP	Contact	Jason Henry
Address	2530 Hwy 214 - Denver City, Tx 79323	Telephone No.	(575) 441-1099
Facility Name	DCP Plant to Lea Station 6-inch Sec. 31	Facility Type	Pipeline
Surface Owner	NM SLO	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
K	31	20S	37E					Lea

Latitude N 32.52733° Longitude W 103.2906°

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Crude Oil	Volume of Release	20 bbls	Volume Recovered	0 bbls
Source of Release	6" Steel Pipeline	Date and Hour of Occurrence	Unknown	Date and Hour of Discovery	04/02/2009 15:00
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? on 04/29/2009 Larry Johnson (initial estimate = 2-3 bbls based on small surface stain)			
By Whom?	Jason Henry	Date and Hour	04/29/2009 @ 09:00 (revised to reportable on 04/29/2009)		
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.\*

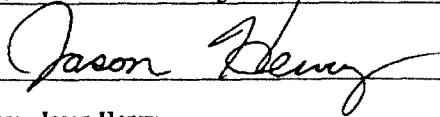

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

External corrosion of 6" inch pipeline caused a release of crude oil. A clamp was installed on the pipeline to mitigate the release. Throughput for the subject line is 660 bbls/day and the operating pressure of the pipeline is 45 psi. The depth of the pipeline at the release point is approximately 2' bgs. The H2S concentration in the crude is less than 10 ppm and the gravity of the crude is 65.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

The released crude resulted in a surface stain that measured approximately 6' x 8'. The impacted area will be remediated per applicable guidelines.

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: Jason Henry	Approved by District Supervisor 	
Title: Remediation Coordinator	Approval Date: 4.29.09	Expiration Date: 6.29.09
E-mail Address: jhenry@paalp.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 04/29/2009 Phone: (575) 441-1099		IRP# 09.4.2166

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary