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Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Release Notification and Corrective Action OPERATOR Final Report Initial Report Contact Bruce Baker Name of Company Apache Corporation Address 2350 W Marland Street, Hobbs, NM 88240 Telephone No. (432) 631-6982 Facility Name EL Federal #8 Facility Type Injection Well API No. 30-015-30262 Surface Owner Federal Mineral Owner LOCATION OF RELEASE Unit Letter Section Township Range Feet from the North/South Line Feet from the East/West Line County 178 30E 380' **FSL** 990' **FEL** Eddy P 21 Latitude Longitude_ NATURE OF RELEASE Type of Release Produced Water Volume of Release 25 Barrels of Volume Recovered 0 Source of Release Flow line Date and Hour of Occurrence Date and Hour of Discovery 4-8-14 at 12:00 pm 4-8-14 at 12:00 pm Was Immediate Notice Given? If YES, To Whom? Mike Bratcher (NMOCD) and Jim Amos (BLM) By Whom? Bruce Baker Date and Hour 4-9-14 at 8:25 a.m. Was a Watercourse Reached? If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. ☐ Yes ⊠ No If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.* Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.* Rupture in flow line 400 feet north of well. The well was shut in and the line was repaired. Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* The release affected 3,799 square feet of pasture land. RECS personnel were on site beginning on April 9th, 2014. An initial surface sample from the release was taken and field tested for chlorides and organic vapors. Based on the elevated field chloride reading of 3.238 mg/kg, a vertical was installed at the site to determine the depth of contamination. Vertical 1 was installed to a depth of 15 ft bgs, and samples were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. The 11 ft bgs sample returned a laboratory chloride reading of 5,680 mg/kg. The chloride values decreased to 336 mg/kg at 14 ft bgs and 352 mg/kg at 15 ft bgs. GRO readings, DRO and BTEX readings for all samples returned values of nondetect. Based on the laboratory analysis, the area around Vertical 1 was excavated to 4 ft bgs. Once the excavation was completed, final wall and bottom grab samples were taken and field tested for chlorides and hydrocarbons. The wall samples were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis and returned chloride values ranging from 96 mg/kg to 1,040 mg/kg. GRO, DRO and BTEX results returned values of non-detect. The bottom samples returned field chloride readings above 1,000 mg/kg in Bottom 1 and Bottom 2. The remainder of the bottom samples returned field chloride readings below 1,000 mg/kg. The bottom samples were not taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. Two surface samples in the overspray were also taken and field tested for chlorides and organic vapors. Both samples were then taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. Both samples returned chloride, GRO, DRO and BTEX values at or near non-detectable levels. On July 29th, 2014, a Path Forward was submitted to NMOCD and BLM. NMOCD and BLM approved the Path Forward on July 31st, 2014. Per the Path Forward, a 20-mil reinforced poly liner was installed and properly seated into the base of the excavation. All excavated soil was taken to a NMOCD approved facility for disposal. Clean top soil was imported to the site to use as backfill. The excavation was backfill to ground surface and contoured to the surrounding location. On September 15th, 2014, the disturbed area was seeded with LPC mix, and the seed was raked into the soil. 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. OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Bruce Signature: Printed Name: Bruce Baker Approved by Environmental Specialist: Title: Environmental Technician Approval Date: 10/10/2014 | Expiration Date: E-mail Address: larry.baker@apachecorp.com Conditions of Approval: Attached

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