

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
811 S. First St., 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

Received 12/2/2015  
NMOCD Artesia

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**OPERATOR**

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company Yates Petroleum Corporation	Contact Chase Settle	
Address 104 S. 4 <sup>th</sup> Street	Telephone No. 575-748-1471	
Facility Name Balsam BNL Federal Com #1H	Facility Type Battery	
Surface Owner Federal	Mineral Owner Federal	API No. 30-015-37035

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
A	8	24S	29E	960	North	30	East	Eddy

Latitude 32.23669 Longitude 103.99766

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release Crude Oil & Produced Water	Volume of Release 3 B/O & 15 B/PW	Volume Recovered 3 B/O & 13 B/PW
Source of Release Wellhead	Date and Hour of Occurrence 4/25/2015; AM	Date and Hour of Discovery 4/25/2015; AM
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	
By Whom?	Date and Hour	
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.\*

The circulating line at the wellhead failed, causing the release. Vacuum truck(s) were called.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

An approximate area of 180' X 20' running south from the wellhead was impacted by the release. Of the total impacted area, approximately 30' X 4' was affected off of location. The valves were closed on the circulating line and the stainless steel tubing was reconnected. Called vacuum trucks to remove standing fluid and backhoe to scrape impacted soils. Excavated soils were hauled to a NMOCD approved facility. Vertical and horizontal delineation samples were taken and analysis ran for TPH & BTEX (chlorides for documentation). Initial analytical results for TPH & BTEX are under RRAL's (site ranking is 0) a Final Report, C-141 is submitted to the NMOCD requesting closure. **Depth to Ground Water: 50-99' (approximately 60', Section 8, T24S-R29E, per Trend Map), Wellhead Protection Area: No, Distance to Surface Water Body: >1000', SITE RANKING IS 10. Based on completion of the approved Work Plan and confirmation analytical results, Yates Petroleum requests 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: 	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>		
Printed Name: Chase Settle	Approved by Environmental Specialist:		
Title: NM Environmental Regulatory Agent	Approval Date: 12/7/2015	Expiration Date: N/A	
E-mail Address: CSettle@yatespetroleum.com	Conditions of Approval:		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: December 2, 2015	Phone: 575-748-4171	2RP- 2992	FINAL

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary