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February 28, 2020

Ms. Amanda Davis
Devon Energy Production Company
6488 Seven Rivers Highway
Artesia, New Mexico 88210
Email: Amanda.davis@dvn.com

Subject:

Liner Inspection and Closure Report Mean Green 23 Federal #1 Battery Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Davis:

Devon Energy Production Company (Devon) (Client) retained HRL Compliance Solutions, Inc. (HRL) to conduct a liner inspection and prepare this closure report for the release at the Mean Green 23 Federal #1 Battery well pad (Site). The Site is located in Eddy County, New Mexico (Figure 1).

### **Release Summary and Initial Response**

On June 20, 2019, a release of five barrels (bbls) of oil and 80 barrels of produced water was observed at the Site. The release was due to the water tanks overflowing. The oil and produced water impacted the entire area within the lined steel containment. Initial response activities included stopping the source of the release, securing the impacted area, containing the released materials, and removing free liquids within the secondary containment. On June 20, 2019 the C-141 (Attachment A) was submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD).

Item	Discussion
Site Name	Mean Green 23 Federal #1 Battery
Latitude	32.0216446
Longitude	-104.4332657
Township/Range/Section	Township 26 South/ Range 34 East/ Section 23
Date Release Discovered	June 20, 2019
Cause of Release	Water tanks overflowed
Type of Material Released	Oil and Produced Water
Volume Release	85 barrels

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## New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) Site Characterization Criteria

Title 19, Chapter 15, Part 29, Section 11 of the New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) provides requirements for release characterization once the free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed from the Site.

Site Map

A scaled diagram depicting the site and nearby significant features has been prepared (Figure 1).

Depth to Groundwater

Based on research from the New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE) and United States Geological Survey (USGS), the depth to groundwater is estimated to range from 51 to 100 feet below ground surface (bgs) (Figure 2).

Wellhead Protection Area

There are no sources of water, including springs, wells, or other sources of fresh water, within one-half mile of the release.

Distance to Nearest Significant Watercourse

A significant watercourse is defined as "...a watercourse with a defined bed and bank either named or identified by a dashed blue line on a USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map or the next lower order tributary with a defined bed and bank" (19.15.17.7 NMAC). There are no significant watercourses within one –half mile of the Site.

Additional Site Characterization Criteria

The following additional site characterization criteria were evaluated for the release.

Additional Site Characterization Criteria	Response/Discussion
Is the Site within 300 feet of a continuously flowing water or other significant watercourse?	No
Is the Site within 200 feet of a lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake?	No
Is the Site within 300 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital institution, or church?	No

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Additional Site Characterization Criteria	Response/Discussion
Is the Site within 500 feet of a spring or private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes?	No
Is the Site within 1,000 feet of any fresh water well or spring?	No
Is the Site within 300 feet of a wetland?	No
Is the Site within the area overlying a subsurface mine?	No
Is the Site within an unstable area?	No
Is the Site within the 100-year floodplain?	No

### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The June 20, 2019, a release of five barrels of oil and 80 barrels of produced water at the Site remained within the lined containment area. HRL has determined that the liner integrity remains intact and had the ability to contain the release; therefore, additional characterization of the soil and/or groundwater at the Site is not necessary. HRL recommends closure of this release.

### **Scope and Limitations**

The scope of HRL's services consists of performing a liner integrity inspection and preparation of this closure report. All work has been performed in accordance with generally accepted professional environmental consulting practices for oil and gas releases in the Permian Basin.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Annie McCawley at (970) 259-0926 Ext. 414 or via email at amccawley@hrlcomp.com.

Sincerely,

**HRL Compliance Solutions, Inc.** 

Annie McCawley

**Environmental Scientist** 

Copy: Julie Linn, PG, RG, HRL Compliance Solutions, Inc.

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## Figures:

Figure 1: Site Location Map

Figure 2: Depth to Groundwater Map

### **Attachments:**

Attachment A: NMOCD Form C-141

Attachment B: Photographs

Attachment C: Liner Inspection Field Form



# Figures

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Mean Green 23 Federal #1 Battery
32.0216446, -103.4332657
Section 23, Township 26 South, Range 34 East

# **Mapped Features**



Mean Green 23 Federal #1 Battery

DISCLAIMER: This representation and the Geographic Information System (GIS) used to create it are designed as a source of reference and not intended to replace official records and/or legal surveys. HRL assumes no responsibility for any risks, dangers, or liabilities that may result from its use and makes no quarantees as to the quality or accuracy of the underlying data.



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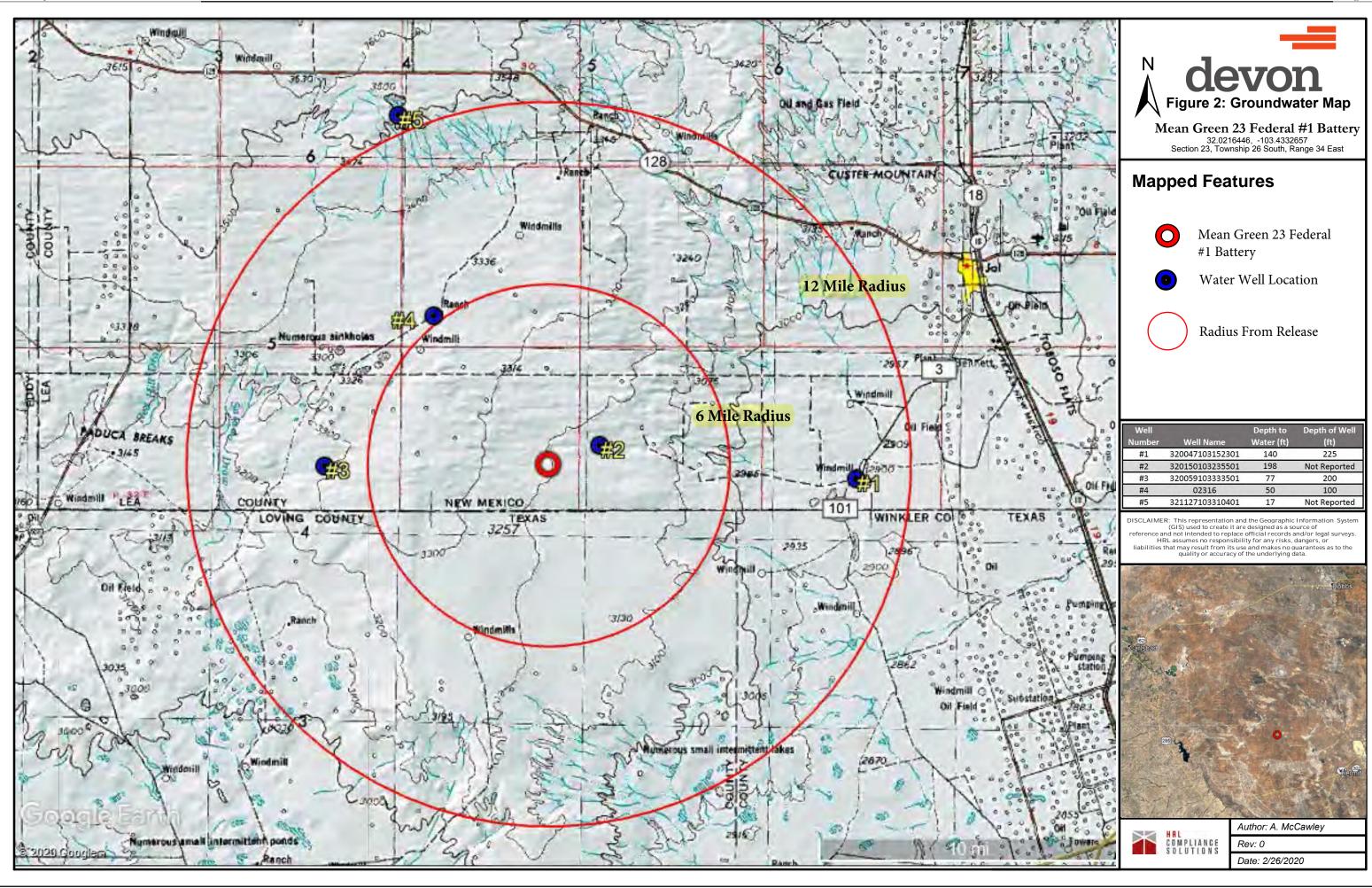
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# Attachment A NMOCD Form C-141

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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

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Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Form C-141 Revised August 24, 2018 Submit to appropriate OCD District office

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## **Release Notification**

## **Responsible Party**

Responsible Party OGRID						
Contact Name Contact Telephone						
Contact email Incident #		Incident #	(assigned by OCD)			
Contact mail	ing address			<b>'</b>		
			<b>T</b>	<b>ap</b> 1		
			Location	of Release So	ource	
Latitude				Longitude _		
			(NAD 83 in de	cimal degrees to 5 decim	ıal places)	
Site Name				Site Type		
Date Release	Discovered			API# (if app	licable)	
Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Coun	tv	
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Surface Owner	r: State	☐ Federal ☐ Tr	ribal Private (A	Name:		)
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Crude Oil				calculations or specific		e volumes provided below)
		Volume Release			Volume Reco	
Produced	Water	Volume Released (bbls)  Is the concentration of total dissolved solids (TDS)		Volume Reco	` '	
			tion of total dissol water >10,000 mg		Yes N	lo .
Condensa	ite	Volume Release		y 1 ·	Volume Reco	overed (bbls)
Natural G	ias	Volume Release	ed (Mcf)		Volume Reco	overed (Mcf)
Other (de	scribe)	Volume/Weight	Released (provide	e units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)	
Cause of Rel	ease				<u>I</u>	

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible	party consider this a major releas	e? 	
☐ Yes ☐ No				
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If YES, was immediate no	otice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom?	When and by what means (phone	, emaii, etc)?	
	Initial Respo	onse		
The responsible	party must undertake the following actions immediately unles	s they could create a safety hazard that w	ould result in injury	
☐ The source of the rele	ease has been stopped.			
☐ The impacted area ha	s been secured to protect human health and the e	nvironment.		
Released materials ha	ave been contained via the use of berms or dikes,	absorbent pads, or other containn	ent devices.	
	ecoverable materials have been removed and mar	•		
If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why:				
Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.				
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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.				
Printed Name:	Ti	tle:		
Signature: Kendra	DeHoyos D	ate:		
email:	Tel	ephone:		

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Attachment B
Photographs



View of standing water and snow within the secondary containment.



View of standing water and snow within the secondary containment.





View of standing water in the secondary containment.



View of standing water between the tanks and rust on the bottom of the tank.





# Attachment C Liner Inspection Field Form



## **Liner Inspection Form**

Client	Devon Energy			
Date of Inspection	2/5/20			
Site Name	Mean Green 7	3 Fed	eral IH	1 Sign 5218 26
Latitude	32,021746			<i>y</i> - 1-
Longitude	-103,433279			
Observations		Yes	No	Comments
Is the liner present?		V		
Is the liner torn?				
Are there visible hole	s in the liner?			
Is the liner retaining a	iny liquids?			
Does it appear the lin the leak?	er had the ability to contain			
Type of Liner:		Earthen	Metal O	ther (describe below):
Other Concerns or Ok	servations:			
Metal Sea	ndary Containment	nt .		
Snowing				
Rust on m	ebl to evidence e	of lines	holding	water
Photos 1-13				
Inspector Name	Annie McCauley			
Inspector Signature	an	_		

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## **Site Assessment/Characterization**

This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.

What is the shallowest depth to groundwater beneath the area affected by the release?	51-100 (ft bgs)
Did this release impact groundwater or surface water?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse or any other significant watercourse?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a wetland?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying a subsurface mine?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying an unstable area such as karst geology?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within a 100-year floodplain?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Did the release impact areas <b>not</b> on an exploration, development, production, or storage site?	☐ Yes ⊠ No

Attach a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) demonstrating the lateral and vertical extents of soil contamination associated with the release have been determined. Refer to 19.15.29.11 NMAC for specifics.

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Characterization Report Checklist: Each of the following items must be included in the report.
Scaled site map showing impacted area, surface features, subsurface features, delineation points, and monitoring wells.
Field data
Data table of soil contaminant concentration data
Depth to water determination
Determination of water sources and significant watercourses within ½-mile of the lateral extents of the release
Boring or excavation logs
Photographs including date and GIS information
Topographic/Aerial maps
Laboratory data including chain of custody

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If the site characterization report does not include completed efforts at remediation of the release, the report must include a proposed remediation plan. That plan must include the estimated volume of material to be remediated, the proposed remediation technique, proposed sampling plan and methods, anticipated timelines for beginning and completing the remediation. The closure criteria for a release are contained in Table 1 of 19.15.29.12 NMAC, however, use of the table is modified by site- and release-specific parameters.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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.		
Printed Name: Tom Bynum Title:	EHS Consultant	
Signature: Tom Bynum Date:	2/28/2020	
email: tom.bynum@dvn.com Telephone:	575-616-1688	
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# **Remediation Plan**

Remediation Plan Checklist: Each of the following items must be included in the plan.		
<ul> <li>Detailed description of proposed remediation technique</li> <li>Scaled sitemap with GPS coordinates showing delineation points</li> <li>Estimated volume of material to be remediated</li> <li>Closure criteria is to Table 1 specifications subject to 19.15.29.12(C)(4) NMAC</li> <li>Proposed schedule for remediation (note if remediation plan timeline is more than 90 days OCD approval is required)</li> </ul>		
Deferral Requests Only: Each of the following items must be confi	rmed as part of any request for deferral of remediation.	
Contamination must be in areas immediately under or around production equipment where remediation could cause a major facility deconstruction.		
☐ Extents of contamination must be fully delineated.		
Contamination does not cause an imminent risk to human health, the environment, or groundwater.		
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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.		
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## Closure

The responsible party must attach information demonstrating they have complied with all applicable closure requirements and any conditions or directives of the OCD. This demonstration should be in the form of a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) including a scaled site map, sampling diagrams, relevant field notes, photographs of any excavation prior to backfilling, laboratory data including chain of custody documents of final sampling, and a narrative of the remedial activities. Refer to 19.15.29.12 NMAC.

Closure Report Attachment Checklist: Each of the following items must be included in the closure report.		
A scaled site and sampling diagram as described in 19.15.	29.11 NMAC	
Photographs of the remediated site prior to backfill or photos of the liner integrity if applicable (Note: appropriate OCD District office must be notified 2 days prior to liner inspection)		
☐ Laboratory analyses of final sampling (Note: appropriate ODC District office must be notified 2 days prior to final sampling)		
□ Description of remediation activities		
and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file ce may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptanc should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and human health or the environment. In addition, OCD acceptance compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or re	Title: EHS Consultant Date: 2/28/2020	
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Closure approval by the OCD does not relieve the responsible party of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment nor does not relieve the responsible party of compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.		
Closure Approved by:	Date:	
Printed Name:	Title:	