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Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) Contingency Plan

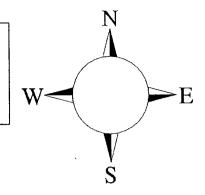
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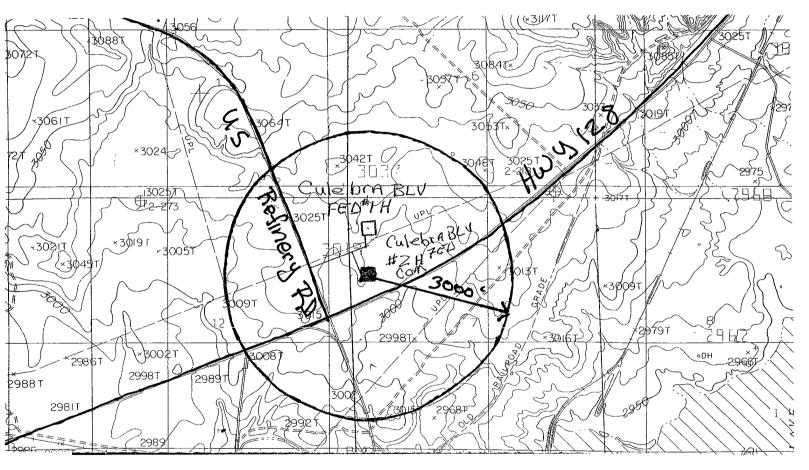
Culebra BLV Federal Com #2H

1650' FNL and 330' FWL Section 7, T23S,-R29-E Eddy County, NM

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This is an open drilling site. H_2S monitoring equipment and emergency response equipment will be used within 500' of zones known to contain H_2S , including warning signs, wind indicators and H_2S monitor.





Assumed 100 ppm ROE = 3000'
100 ppm H2S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.

Emergency Procedures

In the case of a release of gas containing H₂S, the first responder(s) must isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE. Additionally the first responder(s) must evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE. First responder(s) must take care not to injure themselves during this operation. Company and/or local officials must be contacted to aid in this operation. Evacuation of the public should be beyond the 100 ppm ROE.

All responders must have training in the detection of H₂S, measures for protection against the gas, equipment used for protection and emergency response. Additionally, responders must be equipped with H₂S monitors and air packs in order to control the release. Use the "buddy system" to ensure no injuries during the response.

Ignition of Gas Source

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever there is an ignition of the gas

Characteristics of H₂S and SO₂

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity	Threshold Limit	Hazardous Limit	Lethal Concentr- ation
Hydrogen Sulfide	H ₂ S	1.189 Air = 1	10 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO ₂	2.21 Air = 1	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm

Contacting Authorities

YPC personnel must liaison with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. YPC Company response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's 'Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan' (HMER)

· Yates Petroleum Corporation Phone Numbers

VPC Office	CANADA CONTROL OF A CONTROL OF	
Paul Ragsdale/Operations Manager		(555) 540 4454
Wade Bennett/Prod Superintendent		
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