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Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Form C-129 Revised August 1, 2011

Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

NFO Permit No.

(For Division Use Only)

#### **APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO NO-FLARE RULE 19.15.18.12**

(See Rule 19.15.18.12 NMAC and Rule 19:15.7.37 NMAC)

А.	A. Applicant Apache Corporation					
	whose address is 1945 Bluestem Road	1945 Bluestem Road, Artesia, NM⊦88210				
	hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.1	18.12 for	90	days or until		
, Yr, for the following described tank battery (or I						
	Name of Lease N B Tween State	Name of Pool Yeso				
	Location of Battery: Unit Letter	Section 25	TownshipRange	28E		
	Number of wells producing into battery		30			
В.	Based upon oil production of100	<u>)0</u> bar	rels per day, the estimated			
,	of gas to be flared is1700	MCF; Value	\$4000	per day.		
C.	Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility: Frontier Empire Abo Unit					
D,	DistanceEstimated cost of connection					
E.	This exception is requested for the following reasons:					
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OPERATOR I hereby certify that the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Division have been complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Approved Until						
Signature		By	72Dode	•.		
Printed Nam & Title	Fatima Vasquez - Regulatory Tech I	Title 53	= # Sepen	1150		
E-mail Addı	Fatima.Vasquez@apachecorp.com	Date	hy 16, 2013	) 		
Date 06/06/2013 Telephone No. (432) 818-1015						
* Gas-Oil ratio testimay be required to verify estimated gas volume.						

\* SEE Attached COA'S

Submit 3 Copies To Appropriate District	State of New N		Form C-103					
Office <u>District I</u> 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240	Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources		June 19, 2008 WELL API NO.					
<u>District II</u> 1301 W. Grand Ave., Artesia, NM 88210	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION		5. Indicate Type of Lease					
District III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410 District IV District IV 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505			STATE X FEE					
<u>District IV</u> 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM	6. State Oil & Gas Lease No: X0-0647-0405							
87505 SUNDRY NOTICI	7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name							
(DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR PROPOSAL DIFFERENT RESERVOIR. USE "APPLICA" PROPOSALS.)	N B Tween State Wells							
1. Type of Well: 🛛 Oil Well	8. Well Number							
2. Name of Operator Apache Corporation	9. OGRID Number 873							
3. Address of Operator			10. Pool name or Wildcat					
303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 3000 4. Well Location	Midland, TX 79705		Ártesia; Glorieta-Yeso (96830)					
Unit Letter H :	feet from the	line and	feet from the line					
Section 25		Range	NMPM 28E County Eddy					
	11. Elevation (Show whether E	DR, RKB, RT, GR, et	c.)					
12. Check Appropriate Box to Indicate Nature of Notice, Report or Other Data								
NOTICE OF INTI	ENTION TO:	SU	BSEQUENT REPORT OF:					
PERFORM REMEDIAL WORK	PLUG AND ABANDON 📋	REMEDIAL WO	RK 🔲 ALTERING CASING 🗌					
	CHANGE PLANS	COMMENCE DI	RILLING OPNS. PANDA .					
		CASINO/CEIVE						
OTHER: Flare Gas	X	OTHER:	П					
13. Describe proposed or completed operations. (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date								
of starting any proposed work). SEE RULE 1103. For Multiple Completions: Attach wellbore diagram of proposed completion or recompletion.								
Apache is requesting permission to temporarily flare the NB Tween State wells 1-30. Intermittent flaring will occur and gas will be measured prior to flaring. The API# for each well are as follows:								
30-015-35915	30-015-36789		30-015-38592					
30-015-35974 30-015-35916	30-015-37592		30-015-38467					
30-015-35917	30-015-37593 30-015-37597		30-015-38593 30-015-39074					
30-015-36603	30-015-38405		30-015-39075					
30-015-36626 30-015-36627	30-015-38406 30-015-38407		30-015-39744 30-015-39745					
30-015-36796	30-015-39070		30-015-39746					
30-015-36797	0-015-36797 30-015-38590		30-015-39747					
30-015-36798	30-015-38591		30-015-39748					
Spud Date:	Rig Release	Date:						
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I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.								
Thereby centry that the into matter above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and benef.								
SIGNATURE								
Type or print name Fatima Vasquez E-mail address: Fatima Vasquez@apachecorp.com PHONE; (432) 818-1015   For State Use Only Image: Construction of the second s								
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## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION DISTRICT 2 OFFICE 811 SOUTH FIRST STREET ARTESIA, NM 88210 (575)748-1283

### CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL for FLARING or VENTING GAS

- 1. Venting gas is absolutely not allowed.
- 2. Prior to flaring gas, C-129 must be filed & approved. Blanket approval cannot be given for this operation.
- **3.** Flared volumes of gas are to be metered & reported.
- 4. Flares WILL be manned at all times. Brush should be cut down to 1 or 2 inches around flare stack at least a radial distance of 2 times the height of the flare stack.
- 5. Flares WILL NOT be left unattended.
- 6. No flaring operations to be conducted during red-flag days. http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc (go to "Predictive Services" on
- SWCC website) to check for red flag warnings.
- 7. Follow safe practices for flaring guidelines.
- **8.** Permit may be rescinded at any time by NMOCD.
- **9.** If well is able to be connected to a gas gathering system, it will be done so as soon as possible.
- 10. <u>Flaring of gas is prohibited</u>. The State Forester grants an exception to the prohibition on open fires for the flaring of natural gas when the following conditions are met. Unless flaring is needed for safety purposes, flaring pursuant to this exception shall not be done on days that are "red flag days" as determined by the National Weather Service or on days when the sustained wind is in excess of 25 miles per hour in the area.
- 11.1. The day is not a "red flag day" as determined by the National Weather Service and the sustained wind is not in excess of 25 miles per hour in the area.

- 12.2. The local fire department and county dispatch are notified at least 24 hours in advance of anticipated releases that will result in flaring. If flaring is done by an automated system then the schedule of flaring shall be provided to the local fire department and county dispatch. The area is mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris shall be cleared in the area for a distance of one and one half times the height of the stack.
- 13.3. At least one adult is on site with communications equipment adequate to reach county dispatch and the local fire department in the event of a fire. The individual should also be equipped with a shovel and a water backpack pump or other equipment to deliver water to suppress a fire.
- 14.4. If flaring is to take place at an unmanned facility, then the area around the flare stack is mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris shall be cleared in the area for a distance of three times the height of the stack.

Your initials here NUDC

#### State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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March 19, 2013 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Jim Winchester (505)231-8800 E-Mail: jim.winchester@state.nm.us

# Notice to Oil and Gas Facilities and Operators Flaring Gas in New Mexico

SANTA FE, NM – The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) encourages all oil and gas facilities with flare stacks and well operators that are flaring gas to upgrade their *Fire Awareness Programs* this year. New Mexico State Forestry reports that 460 fires have burned 25,475 acres on state and private land in calendar year 2012.

Forecasts remain dismal this spring with fewer chances for normal precipitation, particularly in southwestern New Mexico and southeastern Arizona. Temperatures could also be higher than normal.

Open flames and gas flares should be monitored carefully and oil and gas operators should create a defensible space to help prevent wildfires. Defensible Space is the area around a structure where combustible vegetation that can spread fire has been cleared, reduced or replaced. This space acts as a barrier between a structure and an advancing wildfire.

During the course of the upcoming fire season, it may become necessary for New Mexico State Forestry to issue fire restriction on State and private land. Log on to <u>www.nmforestry.com</u> for updates or call your local district office.

New Mexico State Forestry offers the following guidelines for establishing effective defensible space:

- Create a "Lean, Clean and Green" firebreak area by removing flammable vegetation and growth within 30 feet of each structure. Single trees and shrubs may be retained if they are well spaced, pruned and placed so they avoid the spread of fire. Maintain an irrigation system for any vegetation near structures.
- Keep grass and weeds mowed.
- Prune lower tree limbs to at least 6 feet up to 15 feet (or lower 1/3 of branches on smaller trees).
- Remove vegetation and debris around propane tanks.

For the latest fire weather information please visit USDA Forest Service website: <u>http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/current.php</u>

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