Submit I Copy To Appropriate District State of New Mexico Form C-103 Office Revised August 1, 2011 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources District I - (575) 393-6161: WELL API NO. 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 District 11 - (575) 748-1283 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210 5. Indicate Type of Lease District III - (505) 334-6178 1220 South St. Francis Dr. STATE 🗸 FEE 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410 Santa Fe, NM 87505 6. State Oil & Gas Lease No. District IV - (505) 476-3460 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS 7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name (DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR PROPOSALS TO DRILL OR TO DEEPEN OR PLUG BACK TO A D State Battery DIFFERENT RESERVOIR. USE "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT" (FORM C-101) FOR SUCH 8. Well Number Gas Well Other 1. Type of Well: Oil Well 🗸 2. Name of Operator 9. OGRID Number Apache Corporation 873 3. Address of Operator 10. Pool name or Wildcat 303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 3000 Midland, TX 79705 Yeso 4. Well Location Unit Letter 3 feet from the line and feet from the Section 36 Township 17S Range 28E **NMPM** County Eddy 11. Elevation (Show whether DR, RKB, RT, GR, etc.) 12. Check Appropriate Box to Indicate Nature of Notice, Report or Other Data NOTICE OF INTENTION TO: SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF: PERFORM REMEDIAL WORK PLUG AND ABANDON REMEDIAL WORK ALTERING CASING **CHANGE PLANS** TEMPORARILY ABANDON COMMENCE DRILLING OPNS. P AND A PULL OR ALTER CASING MULTIPLE COMPL CASING/CEMENT JOB DOWNHOLE COMMINGLE OTHER: Flare Gas OTHER: 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 19.15.7.14 NMAC. For Multiple Completions: Attach wellbore diagram of proposed completion or recompletion. Apache is requesting an extension to temporarily flare the D State Battery. The API# for each well are as follows: 30-015-32490 30-015-38411 30-015-31257 30-015-39069 30-015-31421 • 30-015-32483 / 30-015-38412 30-015-39743 30-015-30976 30-015-38414 30-015-32491 30-015-39742 30-015-32649 30-015-30975 30-015-38585 30-015-39921 30-015-31422 30-015-31390-/ 30-015-38469 30-015-39922 30-015-32482 30-015-31586 30-015-38471 30-015-39923 30-015-31423 30-015-31939 30-015-38588 30-015-40310 30-015-31424 30-015-32484 30-015-38470 30-015-40311 30-015-31425 30-015-38408 30-015-38589 30-015-40313 30-015-38409 30-015-31165~ 30-015-39068 30-015-40314 30-015-32489 Rig Release Date: Spud Date: I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. SIGNATURE TITLE Regulatory Analyst II DATE 04/08/2014 Type or print name Fatima Vasquez E-mail address: Fatima.Vasquez@apachecorp.com PHONE: (432) 818-1015 For State Use Only APPROVED BY: Conditions of Approval (if any):

\* See Attached COA'S

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

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) **Apache Corporation** A. Applicant 1945 Bluestem Road, Artesia, NM 88210 whose address is 90 hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18.12 for days or until Yr , for the following described tank battery (or LACT): D State Battery Name of Lease Name of Pool Location of Battery: Unit Letter Section 36 Township Number of wells producing into battery 700 barrels per day, the estimated \* volume Based upon oil production of В. of gas to be flared is \_\_\_\_\_\_MCF; Value \_\_\_ C. Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility: DCP Artesia Distance Estimated cost of connection D. This exception is requested for the following reasons: This is an extension for the E. previous one that will expire April 30, 2014. OPERATOR OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION I hereby certify that the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Division have been complied with and that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signature Printed Name Fatima Vasquez - Regulatory Analyst II & Title Fatima Vasquez@apachecorp.com E-mail Address (432) 818-1015 Telephone No.

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<sup>\*</sup> Gas-Oil ratio test may be required to verify estimated gas volume.

### 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. <a href="http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc">http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc</a> (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. Flaring of gas is prohibited. 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 SO)

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# 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 362 fires burned 6,879 acres on state and private land in calendar year 2013.

Forecasts remain dismal this spring with fewer chances for normal precipitation, particularly in southwestern New Mexico and southeastern Arizona. Temperatures are expected to 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.

This means that as a general rule of thumb, the area around staffed flaring facilities should be mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris should be cleared in the area for a distance of at least one and one half times the height of the stack.

If flaring is to take place at an unstaffed facility, then the mowed area around the flare stack should be increased to three times the height of the stack. On "red flag" days local fire departments should be notified prior to the flaring operations.

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 <a href="https://www.nmforestry.com">www.nmforestry.com</a> for updates or to get information on how contact your local State Forestry District office.

For the latest fire weather information please visit USDA Forest Service website: http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/predictive/outlooks/monthly/swa monthly.pdf

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