

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

NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

State of New Mexico

Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-141
Revised August 8, 2011

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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

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Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company	SM ENERGY COMPANY	Contact	LISA HUNT
Address	6301 Holiday Hill Rd, Bldg 1 Midland, TX 79707	Telephone No.	(432)848-4833
Facility Name	Geronimo Battery	Facility Type	Production Battery

Surface Owner	BLM	Mineral Owner		API No.	3001524927 (closest well)
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
G	24	18S	31E	2310	N	2310	E	Eddy

Latitude 32.734 Longitude 103.8219

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Produced water & oil	Volume of Release	256 wtr/16 oil	Volume Recovered	232 wtr/13.5 oil
Source of Release	Heater treater	Date and Hour of Occurrence	2/5/15	Date and Hour of Discovery	2/5/15 7:40am
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Jim Amos - BLM and NMOCD		
By Whom?	Tejay Simpson	Date and Hour	2/5/15 11:22 am		
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.*

N/A

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*

A leak was coming out of the top of the fire tube flange & spraying towards the top of the heater. Lease operator switched the production of the heater into secondary heater. The depressurized heater stopping the release of fluid. Vacuum trucks, gang & backhoe operators were called. Heater treater was emptied into a vacuum truck & transferred to a spare storage tank.
Estimate spill volume: 256 water / 16 oil

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

Battery pad. 128' x 31'. Vacuum trucks picked up free standing fluid while gang assisted. Recovered fluid was placed in 500 bbls storage tank. Backhoe back dug location recovering contaminated soil & loaded into dump truck for transport to disposal.

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:	<i>Lisa Hunt</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name:	LISA HUNT	Approved by Environmental Specialist:	<i>[Signature]</i>
Title:	REGULATORY TECHNICIAN	Approval Date:	3/16/15
E-mail Address:	LHUNT@SM-ENERGY.COM	Expiration Date:	
Date:	03/09/2015	Conditions of Approval:	Remediation per O.C.D. Rules & Guidelines
Phone:	(432)848-4833	Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

REMIT REMEDIATION PROPOSAL NO
LATER THAN: 4/16/15

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