

**NM OIL CONSERVATION**  
ARTESIA DISTRICT

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

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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

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District Office

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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)

- A. Applicant COG Operating LLC,  
whose address is One Concho Center, 600 W Illinois Ave, Midland, TX 79701,  
hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18.12 for 90 days or until  
June 28, Yr 2015, for the following described tank battery (or LACT):  
Name of Lease Shoeless Joe 32 State Name of Pool Bone Spring  
Location of Battery: Unit Letter D Section 32 Township 19S Range 30E  
Number of wells producing into battery 4, 30-015-40586, 30-015-41238, 30-015-41028, 30-015-41242
- B. Based upon oil production of 670 barrels per day, the estimated \* volume  
of gas to be flared is 750 MCF; Value \_\_\_\_\_ per day.
- C. Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility:  
DCP
- D. Distance \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated cost of connection \_\_\_\_\_
- E. This exception is requested for the following reasons: Line pressure issues  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**OPERATOR**

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 Brian Maiorino

Printed Name  
& Title Brian Maiorino

E-mail Address bmaiorino@concho.com

Date 3/30/15 Telephone No. 432-221-0467

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

Approved Until \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
DISTRICT 2 OFFICE  
811 S. FIRST STREET  
ARTESIA, NM 88210  
(575)748-1283

**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR PLUGGING & ABANDONMENT**

Operator: COG OPERATING

Well Name & Number: ETZ State Unit 119

API #: 30-015-21333

1. Produced water **will not** be used during any part of the plugging & abandonment operation.
2. Notify NMOCD Dist. 2 office at least 24 hrs before beginning work.
3. Closed Loop System is to be used for entire plugging operation. Upon completion, contents of steel pit are to be hauled to a permitted disposal location.
4. Trucking companies being used to haul oilfield waste fluids to a disposal – commercial or private – shall have an approved NMOCD C-133 permit. A copy of this permit shall be available in each truck used to haul waste products. It is the responsibility of the operator, as well as the contractor, to verify that this permit is place prior to performing work. Drivers shall produce a copy upon request of NMOCD Field Inspectors.
5. A subsequent C-103 will serve as notification that the well bore has been plugged **ONLY**. A C-103 FINAL shall be filed before any bonding can be released on the well. Upon receipt of the Final, an inspection will be performed to verify that the location has been satisfactorily cleaned to NMOCD standards.
6. If work has not begun within 90 days of the approval of this procedure, an extension request must be filed, stating reason that well has not been plugged.
7. Every attempt must be made to clean the well bore out to below the perms, before any plugs can be set, by whatever means possible.
8. **Cement Retainers may not be used.**
9. Squeeze pressures are not to exceed 500 PSI, unless approval is given by NMOCD.
10. Plugs may be combined after consulting with and getting approval from NMOCD.
11. Minimum WOC time for tag plugs will be 4 Hrs.

DATE: 4/2/2015

APPROVED BY: RD

## **GUIDELINES FOR PLUGGING AND ABANDONMENT**

### **DISTRICT II / ARTESIA**

- All cement plugs will be a minimum of 100' in length or a minimum of 25 sacks of cement, whichever is greater.
- Mud laden fluids must be placed between all cement plugs.
- Mud laden fluids must be mixed at 25 sacks of gel per 100 bbls of water.
- A cement plug is required to be set 50' below and 50' above all casing shoes and casing stub plugs. These plugs must be tagged.
- A CIBP with 35' of cement on top may be set in lieu of 100' cement plug.
- A plug as indicated above must be placed within 100' of top perforation. This plug must be tagged.
- Plugs set below and above salt zones must be tagged.
- No more than 2000' is to be allowed between cement plugs in open hole and no more than 3000' in cased hole.
- DV tools are required to have a 100' cement plug set 50' above and below the tool and must be tagged.
- Formations to be isolated with plugs placed at the top of each formation are:
  - Fusselman
  - Devonian
  - Morrow
  - Wolfcamp
  - Bone Spring
  - Delaware
  - Any Salt Section (Plug at top and bottom)
  - Abo
  - Glorieta
  - Yates (this plug is usually at base of salt section)
- If cement does not exist behind casing strings at recommended formation depths, the casing must be cut and pulled with plugs set at these depths or casing must be perforated and cement squeezed behind casing at the formation depths.
- In the R-111-P area (Potash Mine area) a solid cement plug must be set across the salt section. Fluid used to mix the cement shall be saturated with the salts common to the section penetrated and in suitable proportions, but not more than a 3% calcium chloride by weight of cement will be considered the desired mixture whenever possible (50' below and 50' above).