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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS (DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR PROPOSALS TO DRILL OR TO DEEPEN OR PLUG BACK TO A DIFFERENT RESERVOIR. USE "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT" (FORM C-101) FOR SUCH PROPOSALS.)			7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name A State 40 Battery		
1. Type of Well: Oil Well 🔽 Gas Well 🗌 Other			8. Well Number		
2. Name of Operator Apache Corporation			9. OGRID Number 873		
3. Address of Operator 303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 3000 Midland, TX 79705			10. Pool name or Wildcat Yeso		
4. Well Location					
Unit Letter Section 26	feet from the			line	
Section         26         Township         17S         Range         28E         NMPM         County         Eddy           11. Elevation         (Show whether DR, RKB, RT, GR, etc.)         11. Elevation         11. Elevat					
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       ALTERING CASING         TEMPORARILY ABANDON       CHANGE PLANS       COMMENCE DRILLING OPNS       PAND A         PULL OR ALTER CASING       MULTIPLE COMPL       CASING/CEMENT JOB       PAND A					
OTHER: Flare Permit		OTHER:			
<ol> <li>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.</li> </ol>					
Apache is requesting permission to flare gas from the A State #40 Battery. Intermittent flaring will occur due to Frontier's inability to take our gas at this battery so we will need to flare it. Gas will be measured prior to flaring. Wells included in the above battery are as follows:					
30-015-38545       A State #40       30-015-41022       A State #80         30-015-38549       A State #48       30-015-41023       A State #81         30-015-38963       A State #49       30-015-411023       A State #81         30-015-38967       A State #49       30-015-41181       A State #82         30-015-38968       A State #59       30-015-41181       A State #82         30-015-38968       A State #73       30-015-41054       A State #74         30-015-41001       A State #79       A State #79       A State #79					
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I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.					
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SIGNATURE Jeabel Husson TITLE Regulatory Analyst DATE 02/10/2016					
Type or print name       Isabel Hudson       E-mail address:       Isabel Hudson@apachecorp.com       PHONE:       (432) 818-1142         For State Use Only       Image: Comparison of the state					
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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)

А.	Applicant Apache Corporation	,			
	whose address is 1945 Bluestem Road	, Artesia, NM 88210			
	hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18				
, Yr, for the following described tank battery (or LACT):					
	Name of Lease A State 40 Battery	Name of Pool Yeso			
		Section TownshipRange			
	Number of wells producing into battery	11			
В.	B. Based upon oil production ofbarrels per day, the estimated * volum				
	of gas to be flared is				
C.	Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility: Frontier Empire Abo Unit				
D.	Distance Estimated cost of connection				
E.	This exception is requested for the following reasons: Frontier Empire Abo Unit Gas Plant				
	cannot take our gas at this new battery. This is an extension to the permit that				
	expires 02/29/2016.				
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.		OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Approved Until May 3 2016			
Signature Jeabel Houason		By ADade			
Printed Name Isabel Hudson - Regulatory Analyst & Title		Title DIST PSpeursn			
E-mail Addresslsabel.Hudson@apachecorp.com		Date 2/12/20/6			
Date 02/10/2016 Telephone No. (432) 818-1142 A See Attached COA					

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

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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. <u>http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc</u> (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.

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DATE: 2/12/14

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March 7, 2014

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