Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

## **UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 Expires: January 31, 2018

5. Lease Serial No. NMNM0429170

| SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS                           |
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| Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an |
| abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.     |

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

| abandoned wei   |  | o. If findial, Another of Tribe Name  |   |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2   |  |   |   |   | 7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No. NMNM136940   |  |  |
| 1. Type of Well   |  | 8. Well Name and No.<br>SOLUTION FEDERAL COM 3H                               |   |   |  |  |  |
|   |  | 9. API Well No.   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 2. Name of Operator Contact: CATHY SEELY COG OPERATING LLC E-Mail: cseely@concho.com  |  |   |   |   | 30-015-43227-00-S1   |  |  |
| 3a. Address<br>600 W ILLINOIS AVENUE<br>MIDLAND, TX 79701   | . (include area code)<br>8-1549  | 10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area PARKWAY-BONE SPRING                    |   |   |  |  |  |
| 4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)  |  |   |   |   | 11. County or Parish, State  |  |  |
| Sec 5 T20S R30E Lot 3 190F  |  |   | EDDY COUNTY, NM   |   |  |  |  |
| 12. CHECK THE AF  | PPROPRIATE BOX(ES)   | TO INDICA   | TE NATURE O   | F NOTICE, F   | REPORT, OR OTH   | IER DATA   |  |
| TYPE OF SUBMISSION  | TYPE OF ACTION   |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Notice of Intent     ■  | ☐ Acidize  | ☐ Deepen ☐ Produc   |   | ☐ Production  | n (Start/Resume)   | ☐ Water Shut-Off   |  |
| _   | ☐ Alter Casing   |   | ☐ Hydraulic Fracturing ☐ Reclan   |   | ion  | ■ Well Integrity   |  |
| ☐ Subsequent Report   | Casing Repair  | ☐ New Construction ☐ Re   |   | ☐ Recomple  |  | Other Venting and/or Flari   |  |
| ☐ Final Abandonment Notice  | Change Plans   |   |   |   | rily Abandon   | ng   |  |
|   | Convert to Injection   | Plug  | Back  | ☐ Water Disposal  |  |  |  |
| 13. Describe Proposed or Completed Op<br>If the proposal is to deepen directions<br>Attach the Bond under which the wor<br>following completion of the involved<br>testing has been completed. Final At<br>determined that the site is ready for final. | ally or recomplete horizontally,<br>it will be performed or provide<br>l operations. If the operation re<br>pandonment Notices must be fil<br>inal inspection. | give subsurface<br>the Bond No. or<br>sults in a multip<br>led only after all | locations and measu<br>n file with BLM/BIA<br>le completion or reco<br>requirements, includ | ared and true vert<br>A. Required subs<br>completion in a ne<br>ding reclamation, | ical depths of all pertir<br>equent reports must be<br>w interval, a Form 316<br>have been completed a | ent markers and zones.<br>filed within 30 days<br>0-4 must be filed once |  |
| COG OPERATING LLC RESP  | PECTFULLY REQUEST  | TO FLARE A  | THE SOLUTIO   | N FED COM   | 3H.  |  |  |
| FROM 7/24/17 TO 10/22/17. NM OIL CONSERVATION   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| # OF WELLS TO FLARE: 1  | DISTRICT   |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| SOLUTION FED COM 3H: 30   | -015-43227   | AUG (   | 1 20JEE A   | ттисц   | ED EOD   |  |  |
| BBLS OIL/DAY: 40<br>MCF/DAY: 200  |  |   | COND  |   | OF APPRO   | OVAL   |  |
| REASON: UNPLANNED MID   | STREAM CURTAILMEN  | T KE()  | EIVED PROM  |   |  |  |  |
| 14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is  | true and correct. Electronic Submission #  | 381431 verifie  |   |   | System   |  |  |
| Con   | For COG Committed to AFMSS for proc  | PERATING L  | LC, sent to the Ca  | arlsbad   |  |  |  |
| Name (Printed/Typed) CATHY S  |  | essing by i it  |   | EERING TEC  |  |  |  |
|   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Signature (Electronic S   | Submission)  |   | Date 07/17/2  | 2017  |  | _  |  |
|   | THIS SPACE FO  | OR FEDERA   | L OR STATE  | OFFICE US   | E  |  |  |
| Approved By OMAR ALOMAR   |  |   | TitlePETROLE  | UM ENGINE   | ER   | Date 07/24/2017  |  |

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Office Carlsbad

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## COG OPERATING LLC SOLUTION FEDERAL COM 3H NMNM0429170

## 07/24/2017

Pursuant to, 43 CFR 3179

Lessees or operators are hereby authorized to vent or flare gas on a short-term basis without incurring a royalty obligation in the following circumstances:

- A. 43 CFR 3179.105 Emergencies (a) An operator may flare or, if flaring is not feasible given the emergency, vent gas royalty-free under §3179.4 (a) (vi) of this subpart during an emergency. For purposes of this subpart, an "emergency" is a temporary, infrequent and unavoidable situation in which the loss of gas or oil is uncontrollable or necessary to avoid risk of an immediate and substantial adverse impact on safety, public health, or the environment. For purposes of royalty assessment, an "emergency" is limited to a short-term situation of 24 hours or less (unless the BLM agrees that the emergency conditions necessitating venting or flaring extend for a longer period) caused by an unanticipated event or failure that is out of the operator's control and was not due to operator negligence.
- B. 43 CFR 3179.4 **Determining when the loss of oil or gas is avoidable or unavoidable**. (2) *Avoidably lost oil* or gas means: Lost oil or gas that is not "unavoidably lost," as defined in paragraph (a) of this section; waste oil that became waste oil through operator negligence; and, any "excess flared gas," as defined in §3179.7.
- C. 43 CFR 3179.5 When lost production is subject to royalty.
  - (a) Royalty is due on all avoidably lost oil or gas.
  - (b) Royalty is not due on any unavoidably lost oil or gas.

## **Condition of Approval to Flare Gas**

- 1. The first 24 hours of a <u>temporary emergency flare</u> is considered "unavoidably lost" and is therefore royalty free. Flared volumes that are considered unavoidably lost are not to be included in Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). These Volumes are not royalty bearing and shall be reported on OGOR "B" as either disposition code "21" or "22".
- 2. Flared volumes considered to be "avoidably lost":

  These flare events will require prior approval via Notice of Intent- Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5).

  Volumes flared beyond limits defined in 43 CFR 3179.7 are considered "avoidably lost" and will require payment of royalties, unless an exception is granted in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.

  Volumes for avoidably lost gas shall be reported on OGOR "B" reports as disposition code "08".

If the operator believes that the flared volumes were "unavoidably lost" and the BLM determines them to be "avoidably lost", the operator can submit a more detailed request via Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) for an exception in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.4, 3179.103 - 3179.105. As an alternative to producing oil and flaring gas the operator may choose to shut the well in and avoid paying royalties on otherwise avoidably lost gas.

- 3. Approval not to exceed 90 days, (from 07/24/2017 to 10/22/2017), if flaring is still required past 60 days submit new request for approval.
- 4. Submit Subsequent Report with actual volumes of gas flared for each month gas is flared on a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). <u>Include method for volume determination and duration</u>. <u>Report unavoidably lost (first 24 hrs. of unexpected event) and avoidably lost (exceeding the first 24 hrs. or flared gas that has been approved as avoidably lost by the Authorized Officer) volumes and durations on the Subsequent Report.</u>
- 5. In determining the volumes of gas to be reported, shall be in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.4, 43 CFR 3179.5, 43 CFR 3179.9 and 43 CFR 3179.10
- 6. The operator must estimate or measure all volumes of gas vented or flared gas by one of the following methods.
  - Measure the flare gas by a meter. The meter shall meet all requirements for a sales meter as per Federal Regulations, 43 CFR 3175. Include meter serial number on Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5).
  - ii. Calculate the volume of the flared gas based on the results of a regularly performed GOR test and measured values for the volumes of oil production and gas sales, so as to allow BLM to independently verify the volume, rate, and heating value of the gas flared.

Regulation Ref: Link to 43 CFR 3179 **Waste Prevention and Resources Conservation**; <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-">https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-</a>

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