Form 3160-5 (June 2015) UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT NMOCD SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.					FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 Expires: January 31, 2018 5. Lease Serial No. NMNM12559 6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name		
							SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2
1. Type of Well					8. Well Name and N BRUTUS 12 FE		
Contact: CATHY SEELY     COG OPERATING LLC     E-Mail: cseely@concho.com					9. API Well No. 30-015-42609		
3a. Address   3b. Phone No. (include area code)					10. Field and Pool of	10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area	
2208 W MAIN STREET ARTESIA, NM 88210						RED BLUFF BONE SPRING	
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)					11. County or Parish, State		
Sec 12 T26S R28E SESE 300FSL 500FEL					EDDY COUNTY, NM		
12. CHECK THE A	PPROPRIATE BOX(ES)	TO INDICATE	NATURE O	F NOTIC	E, REPORT, OR OT	THER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION				·····		
Notice of Intent	Acidize	🗖 Deepen		Production (Start/Resume)		□ Water Shut-Off	
	□ Alter Casing		lic Fracturing	🗖 Recla	amation	U Well Integrity	
Subsequent Report	Casing Repair	New Construction		🗖 Reco	-	Other Venting and/or Flari	
Final Abandonment Notice	Change Plans		Plug and Abandon		oorarily Abandon	ng	
Image: Convert to Injection       Image: Plug Back       Wa         13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation: Clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of					r Disposal		
If the proposal is to deepen direction Attach the Bond under which the wo following completion of the involved testing has been completed. Final A determined that the site is ready for 1	rk will be performed or provide d operations. If the operation re bandonment Notices must be fil final inspection.	the Bond No. on file sults in a multiple co ed only after all requ	with BLM/BIA mpletion or reco irements, includ	<ul> <li>Required ompletion in ling reclama</li> </ul>	subsequent reports must h a new interval, a Form 31	be filed within 30 days 60-4 must be filed once	
COG OPERATING LLC RES	PECIFULLY REQUEST	IO FLARE AT II	1E BRUTUS	12 FED 1	H. ART	ESTA	
FROM 7/11/17 TO 10/9/17.					AU	DISTRICT	
# OF WELLS TO FLARE: 1 BRUTUS 12 FED 1H: 30-015-42609			all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed and the operator has AT THE BRUTUS 12 FED 1H. AT THE BRUTUS 12 FED 1H. ARTESIA DISTRICT AUG 09 2017 SEE ATTACHED.FOR CONDUCTIONIC OF A DD				
BBLS OIL/DAY: 40 MCF/DAY: 600		CONDITIONS OF APPRO					
REASON: HIGH LINE PRESSURE			/	$\int$			
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is	Electronic Submission #	PERATING LLC.	sent to the Ca BORAH MCK	arisbad I <mark>NNEY-en</mark> -	07/11/2017 (		
Name (Printed/Typed) CATHY S	Ti	le ENGN	ERING	<b>Generation</b>	<b>↓</b>		
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Approved By		Т	itle	BUREY	U OF LAND WILLAGEN	MENT Date	
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached certify that the applicant holds legal or eq which would entitle the applicant to cond	e subject lease	ffice		ILIDAU TVLLU ULITA			
Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 States any false, fictitious or fraudulent	U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a statements or representations as	crime for any person to any matter within	knowingly and its jurisdiction.	willfully to	make to any department of	or agency of the United	
(Instructions on page 2) <b>** OPERA</b>	TOR-SUBMITTED ** 0	PERATOR-SU	BMITTED *	* OPER/	ATOR-SUBMITTE	D **	

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## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 575-234-5972

## 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**

- 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, if flaring is still required past 90 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</u> <u>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.
  - i. Measure the flare gas by a meter. The meter shall meet all requirements for a sales meter as per Federal Regulations, 43 CFR 3175 (due to volume of gas being flared). 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; https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-

bin/retrieveECFR?gp=1&SID=dbd49eda8cdc488870172ed096d47be9&ty=HTML&h=L&mc=true &n=sp43.2.3170.3179&r=SUBPART