Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

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

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

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

# 5. Lease Serial No. NMLC068431

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SUBMIT IN T	7. If Unit or CA/Agre	7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.			
1. Type of Well				8. Well Name and No.	
☑ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other				POKER LAKE UNIT 324H	
2. Name of Operator Contact: SHERRY PACK BOPCO LP E-Mail: sherry_pack@xtoenergy.com			9. API Well No. 30-015-40685		
3a. Address       3b. Phone No. (included)         500 W. ILLINOIS, SUITE 100       Ph: 432-620-670         MIDLAND, TX 79701       Fx: 432-339-6016				10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area POKER LAKE;DELAWARE, SOUT	
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)			11. County or Parish,	11. County or Parish, State	
Sec 23 T24S R30E SWNW 2120FNL 480FWL			EDDY COUNTY	EDDY COUNTY, NM	
12. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA					
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION				
Notice of Intent     ■     Notice of Intent     Notice of	☐ Acidize	Deepen	☐ Production (Start/Resume)	■ Water Shut-Off	
_	☐ Alter Casing	☐ Hydraulic Fracturing	☐ Reclamation	■ Well Integrity	
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Casing Repair	■ New Construction	☐ Recomplete	Other	
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans	☐ Plug and Abandon	□ Temporarily Abandon	Venting and/or Flari ng	
	☐ Convert to Injection	☐ Plug Back	☐ Water Disposal		
determined that the site is ready for final inspection.  BOPCO LP had a venting event on 5/4/2017, during workover. Other methods to avoid venting, such as plunger lift production, were infeasible on this well.					
ARTESIA DISTRICT SEE ATTACHED FOR AUG 09 2017 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL RECEIVED					
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.  Electronic Submission #378529 verified by the BLM Well Information System  For BOPCO LP, sent to the Carlsbad  Committed to AFMSS for processing by DEBORAH MCKINNEY on 06/13/2017 ()  Name (Printed/Typed) SHERRY PACK  Title REGULATORY ANALYST					
Signature (Electronic S	Submission)	Date 06/09/20	APPROVED		
THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE					
Approved By					
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.					

## 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**

- 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, 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). Include method for volume determination and duration. 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.
- 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 (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**; <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-">https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-</a>

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