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Form 3160-5 (June 2015) DH B SUNDRY Do not use th abandoned we	FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 Expires: January 31, 2018 5. Lease Serial No. NMNM108463 6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name					
SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2				7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.		
1. Type of Well □ Gas Well □ Other				8. Well Name and No. YELLOW FIN FEDERAL COM 2H		
2. Name of Operator COG OPERATING LLC	Contact: E-Mail: cseely@cc	CATHY SEELY	9. API Well No. 30-015-41129			
3a. Address 2208 W MAIN STREET ARTESIA, NM 88210	3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 575-748-1549		10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area WC 015 G 04 S262619C			
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)				11. County or Parish, State		
Sec 19 T26S R26E NENW 300FNL 2000FWL 32.034320 N Lat, 104.334632 W Lon				EDDY COUNTY, NM		
12. CHECK THE A	PPROPRIATE BOX(ES)	TO INDICATE NATURE O	F NOTICE,	REPORT, OR OTH	IER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION					
Notice of Intent     ☐ Acidize     ☐ Alter Casing		☐ Deepen		ion (Start/Resume) ation	□ Water Shut-Off □ 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			
following completion of the involved	ally or recomplete horizontally, rk will be performed or provide l operations. If the operation re bandonment Notices must be fil	nt details, including estimated startin give subsurface locations and measu the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA sults in a multiple completion or recc led only after all requirements, includ	red and true ve Required sub mpletion in a r	rtical depths of all pertir osequent reports must be new interval, a Form 316	nent markers and zones. filed within 30 days 0-4 must be filed once	

COG OPERATING LLC RESPECTFULLY REQUEST TO FLARE AT THE YELLOW FIN FED COM 2H BTY.

FROM 10/23/17 TO 1/21/18.

BBLS OIL/DAY: MCF/DAY: 1300	ED COM 2H: 30-015-41129 NM (	NOV 0		TIALIT	ED FOR	ROVAL	
14. I hereby certify the	at the foregoing is true and correct. Electronic Submission #392940 v For COG OPERATI Committed to AFMSS for process	NG LLC, sei	nt to the Carlsb	ad	/		$\prod$
Name (Printed/Type	ed) CATHY SEELY	Title	ENGINEER	ING TECH	DDDAN		$\mathbb{N}$
Signature	(Electronic Submission) THIS SPACE FOR FED	Date	10/24/2017				
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Approved By				KRIP	$\sim$	X	
certify that the applicant	if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warra holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject le applicant to conduct operations thereon.	ant or ease Offic	e /	17		Y TO T	
	001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for bus or fraudulent statements or representations as to any ma			ully to make to a	ny department or	agency of the U	hited
(Instructions on page 2)	** OPERATOR-SUBMITTED ** OPERAT	FOR-SUBN	AITTED ** OF	PERATOR-S	SUBMITTED	** (	

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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 <u>without incurring a</u> 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). <u>Include method for volume determination and duration</u>. Report <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.
  - 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