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GAS CAPTURE PLAN

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☑ Original	Operator & OGRID No.:	MARATHON OIL PERMIAN, LLC OGRID: 372098		
☐ Amended - Reason for Amendment:	<u> </u>			
This Gas Capture Plan outlines actions to be	e taken by the Operator to reduce	ce well/production facility flaring/venting for		

new completion (new drill, recomplete to new zone, re-frac) activity.

Note: Form C-129 must be submitted and approved prior to exceeding 60 days allowed by Rule (Subsection A of 19.15.18.12 NMAC).

#### Well(s)/Production Facility - Name of facility

The well(s) that will be located at the production facility are shown in the table below.

		Well Location		Expected	Flared or	
Well Name	API	(ULSTR)	Footages	MCF/D	Vented	Comments
Black River 374 State 24-27-15 WXY #3H	30.015 H4504	N-15-T24S-R27E	270' FSL 1806' FWL	4 MM	0	
Black River 374 State 24-27-15 WA #8H	30-015	N-15-T24S-R27E	271' FSL 1906' FWL	7 MM	0	
Black River 374 State 24-27-15 TB #10H	30-015 44506	N-15-T24S-R27E	271' FSL 1856' FWL	2 MM	0	

## Gathering System and Pipeline Notification

Well(s) will be connected to a production facility after flowback operations are complete, if gas transporter system is in place. The gas produced from production facility is dedicated to <u>Lucid Energy</u> and will be connected to <u>Lucid Energy</u> low/high pressure gathering system located in <u>Eddy</u> County, New Mexico. It will require <u>about 5280'</u> of pipeline to connect the facility to low/high pressure gathering system. <u>MOP</u> provides (periodically) to <u>Lucid Energy</u> a drilling, completion and estimated first production date for wells that are scheduled to be drilled in the foreseeable future. In addition, <u>MOP</u> and <u>Lucid Energy</u> have periodic conference calls to discuss changes to drilling and completion schedules. Gas from these wells will be processed at <u>Lucidy Energy</u> Processing Plant located in Sec. 15, Twn. 24S, Rng. 27E, <u>Eddy</u> County, New Mexico. The actual flow of the gas will be based on compression operating parameters and gathering system pressures.

#### Flowback Strategy

After the fracture treatment/completion operations, well(s) will be produced to temporary production tanks and gas will be flared or vented. During flowback, the fluids and sand content will be monitored. When the produced fluids contain minimal sand, the wells will be turned to production facilities. Gas sales should start as soon as the wells start flowing through the production facilities, unless there are operational issues on <u>Lucid Energy</u> system at that time. Based on current information, it is <u>MOP's</u> belief the system can take this gas upon completion of the well(s).

Safety requirements during cleanout operations from the use of underbalanced air cleanout systems may necessitate that sand and non-pipeline quality gas be vented and/or flared rather than sold on a temporary basis.

### **Alternatives to Reduce Flaring**

Below are alternatives considered from a conceptual standpoint to reduce the amount of gas flared.

- Power Generation On lease
  - Only a portion of gas is consumed operating the generator, remainder of gas will be flared
- Compressed Natural Gas On lease
  - o Gas flared would be minimal, but might be uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines
- NGL Removal On lease
  - o Plants are expensive, residue gas is still flared, and uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines