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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate  
District Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
side of form

30-015-27614

Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company	Primero Operating, Inc.	Contact	Phelps White
Address	PO Box 1433, Roswell, NM 88202-1433	Telephone No.	505 622 1001
Facility Name	Milano #1 Tank Battery	Facility Type	Produced Salt Water holding tank

Surface Owner	State of NM	Mineral Owner		Lease No.	1
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LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
H	36	24S	28E	2110	North	890	East	Eddy

Latitude N 32 10 Longitude W 104 2

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Produced Water	Volume of Release	500	Volume Recovered	400+
Source of Release	Water Tank overflow	Date and Hour of Occurrence	3/6/05 unk. time	Date and Hour of Discovery	3/6/PM
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	NMOCD Mike Bracher		
By Whom?		Date and Hour			
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

A lightning storm tripped the power supply to the transfer pump on our battery. Later, another battery which is connected to this battery and is operated by another operator began dumping water into our battery. Our battery filled and overflowed. So far, the remedial action taken was to us a vacuum truck to remove all removable water from the ground.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

The area affected was along the access road to the battery. The water and small amount of oil ran down east along the road approximately 200' then crossed the road and went south approximately 75' south into pasture. At this time, the only cleanup action is that mentioned above.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Signature:		<u>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</u>	
Printed Name: Phelps White		Approved by District Supervisor:	
Title: President		Approval Date: 3/16/05	Expiration Date: N/A
E-mail Address: pwiv@zianet.com		Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date: 3/7/05 Phone: 505 622 1001			

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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**Oil Conservation Division**

Primero Operating Inc.  
PO Box 1433  
Roswell NM 88202-1433

March 16, 2005

Re: Milano 001 Tank Battery

H-36-24s-28e

API: 30-015-27614

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division District II Office is in receipt of an Initial Report C-141 reporting a produced fluids release that occurred on 3/6/2005 at the above referenced well site.

Please submit a Corrective Action Work Plan to this office for correction/remediation of this release. Please use the "Guidelines For Remediation of Leaks, Spills, and Releases" as your guide.

This document may be found on the NMOCD web site: [www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd](http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd) , under Publications/Environmental Handbook/Miscellaneous Guidelines/Spill Prevention Clean up.

The work plan presented to the NMOCD must include general site characteristics, site ranking score, soil remediation action levels, soil remediation methods, and planned analytical testing for TPH, B-TEX , Chlorides or any other CoCs as applicable.

A final Form C-141 is required for closure of the release incident and must include a report of remediation actions taken with final analytical results attached.

Please have the requested work plan in the Artesia office on or before **April 16, 2005**. The NMOCD District II Office must be notified 24 hours prior to any remediation actions and/or subsequent soil samples taken for analysis.

**In the event that a satisfactory response is not received to this letter** further enforcement will occur. Such enforcement may include this office applying to the Division for an order summoning you to a hearing before a Division Examiner in Santa Fe. Such a hearing may result in imposition of **CIVIL PENALTIES** for your violation of NMOCD rules.

If I can be of assistance in this matter, my contact information is listed below.

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