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GAS CAPTURE PLAN

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Operator & OGRID No.: OXY USA INC. - 16696

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This Gas Capture Plan outlines actions to be taken by the Operator to reduce well/production facility flaring/venting for new completion (new drill, recomple 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 Name	API	Well Location (ULSTR)	Footages	Expected MCF/D	Flared or Vented	Comments
Arkenstone 31 Federal 1H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 895 FWL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 2H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 930 FWL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 3H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2613 FEL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 4H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2578 FEL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 7H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 965 FWL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 171H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 1195 FWL	2700	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 172H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 1230 FWL	2700	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 173H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2465 FWL	2700	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal 174H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2500 FWL	2700	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal Com 5H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 865 FEL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal Com 6H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	100 FNL 830 FEL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal Com 9H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2648 FEL	2300	0	
Arkenstone 31 Federal Com 10H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	100 FNL 795 FEL	2300	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 1H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 550 FWL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 2H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 585 FWL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 3H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 2635 FEL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 4H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 2600 FEL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 5H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 800 FEL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 6H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 765 FEL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 7H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 620 FWL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 9H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 2670 FEL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 10H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 730 FEL	3900	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 11H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 1935 FWL	1800	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 12H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 1970 FWL	1800	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 13H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	100 FNL 1395 FEL	1800	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 14H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	100 FNL 1360 FEL	1800	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 21H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 285 FWL	3000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 22H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 320 FWL	3000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 23H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2200 FWL	3000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 24H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	130 FNL 2235 FWL	3000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 25H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	100 FNL 1130 FEL	3000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 26H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	100 FNL 1095 FEL	3000	0	
Precious 30-18 Federal Com 31H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 850 FWL	2600	0	
Precious 30-18 Federal Com 32H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 950 FWL	2600	0	

Well Name	API	Well Location (ULSTR)	Footages	Expected MCF/D	Flared or Vented	Comments
Precious 30-18 Federal Com 33H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	280 FNL 2150 FEL	2600	0	
Precious 30-18 Federal Com 34H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	315 FNL 2150 FEL	2600	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 41H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 1180 FWL	4000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 42H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 1215 FWL	4000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 43H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 2178 FWL	4000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 44H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 2213 FWL	4000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 45H	Pending	B-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 1330 FEL	4000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 46H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 1295 FEL	4000	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 171H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 880 FWL	3100	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 172H	Pending	D-1-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 915 FWL	3100	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 173H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 2443 FWL	3100	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 174H	Pending	C-31-23S-31E	570 FNL 2478 FWL	3100	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 175H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 1065 FEL	3100	0	
Precious 30_18 Federal Com 176H	Pending	A-31-23S-31E	520 FNL 1030 FEL	3100	0	

Gathering System and Pipeline Notification

Well(s) will be connected to a production facility after flowback operations are complete, where a gas transporter system is in place. The gas produced from production facility is dedicated to Enterprise Field Services, LLC (“Enterprise”) and is connected to Enterprise low/high pressure gathering system located in Eddy County, New Mexico. OXY USA INC. (“OXY”) provides (periodically) to Enterprise a drilling, completion and estimated first production date for wells that are scheduled to be drilled in the foreseeable future. In addition, OXY and Enterprise have periodic conference calls to discuss changes to drilling and completion schedules. Gas from these wells will be processed at Enterprise’s Processing Plant located in Sec. 36, Twn. 24S, Rng. 30E, Eddy 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 Enterprise system at that time. Based on current information, it is OXY’s 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
 - Gas flared would be minimal, but might be uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines
- NGL Removal – On lease
 - Plants are expensive, residue gas is still flared, and uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines