

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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 August 8, 2011

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**OPERATOR**  Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company Linn Operating Inc.	Contact E.L. Gonzales
Address 2130 W Bender Blvd Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No. 575-738-1739
Facility Name MGU Battery (Flare Stack) closest well is MGU #87	Facility Type Battery

Surface Owner Private	Mineral Owner	API No. closest well 30-025-33208
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**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter F	Section 04	Township 17S	Range 32E	Feet from the 2623	North/South Line North	Feet from the 1571	East/West Line West	County Lea
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Latitude 32.8636742 Longitude -103.7750244

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release Oil	Volume of Release 30 bbls	Volume Recovered 25 bbls
Source of Release Heater	Date and Hour of Occurrence 12/30/2015	Date and Hour of Discovery 8:00am 12/30/2015
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	
By Whom?	Date and Hour	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES <i>Volume Impacting the Watercourse.</i>	

**RECEIVED**  
*By Kellie Jones at 8:20 am, Jan 07, 2016*

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\* Upon arrival to the MGU battery I noticed my production heater at the battery was passing oil through the gas lines. I traced the lines and found a release at my flare stack. Somehow the production heater had pressured up and the relief valve never bypassed to allow the pressure to escape. The relief valve appeared to have frozen over the past several days with the cold weather that has passed through the area. Due to this, the pressure that had built inside the heater passed through the flare stack and released oil in to the area.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\* The area that the oil released from spilt into the flare stack fire walls and into the pasture as well. The flare stack and firewall are located just west of the battery where the production heater sits about 25ft. The area in which we have oil on the ground is inside of the firewall and oil that ran south out of the fire wall and out into the pasture going about 20ft to the south until stopping next to the lease road. The widest point of the spill is 15ft going southeast of the battery and flare stack fire wall. The total amount of oil lost is roughly 30bbls with 25bbl being recovered from inside the firewall and another 5bbls that ran out of the firewall.

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:	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: E.L. Gonzales	Approved by Environmental Specialist:	
Title: Production Supervisor	Approval Date: 01/07/2016	Expiration Date: 03/07/2016
E-mail Address: elgonzales@linenergy.com	Conditions of Approval: Site samples required. Delineate and remediate as per MNOCD guides. Geotag photographs of remediation recommended.	Attached <input type="checkbox"/> IRP-4082
Date: 01/04/2016	Phone: 505-504-8002	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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**LINN OPERATING, INC.**

**MALJAMAR GRAYBURG UNIT**

505)392-9797 TANK BATTERY NO. 2

1980'FSL 1980'FEL

S-4 T-17S R-32E

LEA CO., NM NM-0315712

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL: 877-427-1271**



**DANGER**  
**CONFINED**  
**SPACE**  
ENTRY BY PERMIT ONLY



