



## H<sub>2</sub>S Drilling Operation Plan

OCD – HOBBS  
10/01/2018  
RECEIVED

1. **All Company and Contract personnel admitted on location must be trained by a qualified H<sub>2</sub>S safety instructor to the following:**
  - a. Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S
  - b. Physical effects and hazards
  - c. Principal and operation of H<sub>2</sub>S detectors, warning system and briefing areas
  - d. Evacuation procedure, routes and first aid
  - e. Proper use of safety equipment and life support systems
  - f. Essential personnel meeting Medical Evaluation criteria will receive additional training on the proper use of 30 minute pressure demand air packs.
2. **Briefing Area:**
  - a. Two perpendicular areas will be designated by signs and readily accessible.
  - b. Upon location entry there will be a designated area to establish all safety compliance criteria (1.) has been met.
3. **H<sub>2</sub>S Detection and Alarm Systems:**
  - a. H<sub>2</sub>S sensors/detectors shall be located on the drilling rig floor, in the base of the sub structure/cellar area, and on the mud pits in the shale shaker area. Additional H<sub>2</sub>S detectors may be placed as deemed necessary. All detectors will be set to initiate visual alarm at 10 ppm and visual with audible at 14 ppm and all equipment will be calibrated every 30 days or as needed.
  - b. An audio alarm will be installed on the derrick floor and in the top doghouse.
4. **Protective Equipment for Essential Personnel:**
  - a. **Breathing Apparatus:**
    - i. Rescue Packs (SCBA) - 1 Unit shall be placed at each briefing area.
    - ii. Two (SCBA) Units will be stored in safety trailer on location.
    - iii. Work/Escapes packs - 1 Unit will be available on rig floor in doghouse for emergency evacuation for driller.
  - b. **Auxiliary Rescue Equipment:**
    - i. Stretcher
    - ii. 2 - OSHA full body harnesses
    - iii. 100 ft. 5/8" OSHA approved rope
    - iv. 1 - 20# class ABC fire extinguisher
5. **Windsock and/or Wind Streamers:**
  - a. Windsock at mud pit area should be high enough to be visible.
  - b. Windsock on the rig floor should be high enough to be visible.
6. **Communication:**
  - a. While working under mask scripting boards will be used for communication where applicable.
  - b. Hand signals will be used when script boards are not applicable.



## H<sub>2</sub>S Drilling Operation Plan

- c. Two way radios will be used to communicate off location in case of emergency help is required. In most cases cellular telephones will be available at Drilling Foreman's Office.

7. **Drill Stem Testing:** - No Planned DST at this time.

8. **Mud program:**

- a. If H<sub>2</sub>S is encountered, mud system will be altered if necessary to maintain control of formation. A mud gas separator will be brought into service along with H<sub>2</sub>S scavengers if necessary.

9. **Metallurgy:**

- a. All drill strings, casing, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventer, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H<sub>2</sub>S service.
- b. Drilling Contractor supervisor will be required to be familiar with the effect H<sub>2</sub>S has on tubular goods and other mechanical equipment provided through contractor.



## H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan

### **Emergency Procedures**

In the event of a release of H<sub>2</sub>S, the first responder(s) must:

- Isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE.
- Evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE.
- Be equipped with H<sub>2</sub>S monitors and air packs in order to control the release.
- Use the “buddy system” to ensure no injuries occur during the response.
- Take precautions to avoid personal injury during this operation.
- Contact Operator and/or local officials the aid in operation. See list of phone numbers attached.
- Have received training in the:
  - Detection of H<sub>2</sub>S and
  - Measures for protection against the gas,
  - Equipment used for protection and emergency response.

### **Ignition of Gas Source**

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally, the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever there is an ignition of the gas.

### **Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S and SO<sub>2</sub>**

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity	Threshold Limit	Hazardous Limit	Lethal Concentration
Hydrogen Sulfide	H <sub>2</sub> S	1.189 Air=1	10 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	2.21 Air=1	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm

### **Contacting Authorities**

Ameredev Operating LLC personnel must liaise with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available including direction to site. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. Ameredev Operating LLC’s response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico’s “Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan” (HMER)



## H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan

<b>Ameredev Operating LLC – Emergency Phone 737-300-4799</b>			
Key Personnel:			
Name	Title	Office	Mobile
Floyd Hammond	Chief Operating officer	737-300-4724	512-783-6810
Zachary Boyd	Operations Superintendent	737-300-4725	432-385-6996
Blake Estrada	Construction Foreman		432-385-5831

<b><u>Artesia</u></b>			
Ambulance			911
State Police			575-746-2703
City Police			575-746-2703
Sheriff's Office			575-746-9888
Fire Department			575-746-2701
Local Emergency Planning Committee			575-746-2122
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division			575-748-1283
<b><u>Carlsbad</u></b>			
Ambulance			911
State Police			575-885-3137
City Police			575-885-2111
Sheriff's Office			575-887-7551
Fire Department			575-887-3798
Local Emergency Planning Committee			575-887-6544
US Bureau of Land Management			575-887-6544
<b><u>Santa Fe</u></b>			
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe)			505-476-9600
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe) 24 Hrs			505-827-9126
New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center			505-476-9635
<b><u>National</u></b>			
National Emergency Response Center (Washington, D.C.)			800-424-8802
<b><u>Medical</u></b>			
Flight for Life - 4000 24th St.; Lubbock, TX			806-743-9911
Aerocare - R3, Box 49F; Lubbock, TX			806-747-8923
Med Flight Air Amb - 2301 Yale Blvd S.E., #D3; Albuquerque, NM			505-842-4433
.'SB Air Med Service - 2505 Clark Carr Loop S.E.; Albuquerque, NM			505-842-4949