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# Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Contingency Plan

For

Haracz AMO Federal #11H 200' FNL and 1980' FEL Section 19, T24S-R31E Lea County, New Mexico

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# Haracz AMO Federal #11H

This is an open drilling site. H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring equipment and emergency response equipment will be used within 500' of zones known to contain H<sub>2</sub>S, including warning signs, wind indicators and H<sub>2</sub>S monitor.





Assumed 100 ppm ROE = 3000' 100 ppm H2S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.

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#### **Emergency Procedures**

In the case of a release of gas containing  $H_2S$ , the first responder(s) must isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE. Additionally the first responder(s) must evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE. First responder(s) must take care not to injure themselves during this operation. Company and/or local officials must be contacted to aid in this operation. Evacuation of the public should be beyond the 100 ppm ROE.

All responders must have training in the detection of  $H_2S$ , measures for protection against the gas, equipment used for protection and emergency response. Additionally, responders must be equipped with  $H_2S$  monitors and air packs in order to control the release. Use the "buddy system' to ensure no injuries during the 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

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity	Threshold Limit	Hazardous Limit	Lethal Concentr- ation
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

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

#### **Contacting Authorities**

YPC personnel must liaison 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. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. YPC Company response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's 'Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan' (HMER)

YPC Office
Pinson McWhorter/Operations Manager
Wade Bennett/Prod Superintendent
LeeRoy Richards/Assistant Prod Superintendent (575) 748-4228
Mike Larkin/Drilling
Paul Hanes/Prod. Foreman/Roswell
Tim Bussell/Drilling Superintendent
Artesia Answering Service
(During non-office hours)

# Agency Call List

#### Lea County (575)

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State Police	827-7130 Eunice
City Police	
Sheriff's Office	
Ambulance	
Fire Department	
NMOCD	

#### Hobbs

State Police	.392-5588
City Police	.397-9265
Sheriff's Office	.397-9262
Ambulance	
Fire Department	.397-9308
LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee)	

US Bureau of Land Management	887-6544 Carlsbad
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe)	(505)476-9600
24 HR	(505) 827-9126
New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center	(505) 476-9635
National Emergency Response Center (Washington, DC)	(800) 424-8802

#### Other

Boots & Coots IWC	1-800-256-9688 or (281) 931-8884
Cudd Pressure Control	(915) 699-0139 or (915) 563-3356
Halliburton	(575) 746-2757
B. J. Services	(575) 746-3569

Flight For Life -4000 24th St, Lubbock, TX	(806) 743-9911
Aerocare -Rr 3 Box 49f, Lubbock, TX	(806) 747-8923
Med Flight Air Amb 2301 Yale Blvd SE #D3, Albuq, NM	(505) 842-4433
S B Air Med Svc 2505 Clark Carr Loop SE, Albuq, NM	(505) 842-4949

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## Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operation Plan

### I. HYDROGEN SULFIDE TRAINING

All personnel, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, will receive training from a qualified instructor in the following areas prior to commencing drilling operations on this well:

- 1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H2S).
- 2. The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
- 3. The proper use of H2S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures, and prevailing winds.
- 4. The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.

In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:

- 1. The effects of H2S on metal components. If high tensile tubular are to be used, personnel well be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
- 2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
- 3. The contents and requirements of the H2S Drilling Operations Plan and H2S Contingency Plan.

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H2S zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly H2S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H2S Drilling Operation Plan and the H2S Contingency Plan. The location of this well does not require a Public Protection Plan.

## **II. H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS**

NOTE: All H2S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested, and operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500 feet above, or three days prior to penetrating the first zone containing or reasonably expected to contain H2S.

#### 1. Well Control Equipment:

- A. Flare line
- B. Choke manifold
- C. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing unit
- D. Auxiliary equipment may include if applicable: annular preventer & rotating head.

#### 2. Protective equipment for essential personnel:

A. Mark II Survive Air (or equivalent) 30-minute units located in the doghouse and at briefing areas, as indicated on well site diagram.

#### 3. H2S detection and monitoring equipment:

A. 3 portable H2S monitors positioned at: Shale Shaker, Bell Nipple, and Rig Floor. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H2S levels of 10 PPM are reached.

#### 4. Visual warning systems:

- A. Wind direction indicators as shown on well site diagram (attached).
- B. Caution/Danger signs (attached) shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted with high visibility yellow with black lettering of a sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used, when appropriate. See example attached.

#### 5. Mud program:

A. The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H2S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices and the use of H2S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H2S bearing zones.

#### 6. Metallurgy:

- A. All drill strings, casings, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventer, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H2S service.
- B. All elastomers used for packing and seals shall be H2S trim.

#### 7. Communication:

- A. Cellular communications in company vehicles.
- B. Land line (telephone) communication at the Office.

#### 8. Well testing:

A. There will be no drill stem testing.

#### EXHIBIT



EDDY COUNTY EMERGENCY NUMBERS NUMBERS ARTESIA FIRE DEPT. 575-746-5050 9308 ARTESIA POLICE DEPT. 575-746-5000 9285 EDDY CO. SHERIFF DEPT. 575-746-9888 396-1196 LEA COUNTY EMERGENCY

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YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Haracz AMO Federal #11H 200' FNL & 1980' FEL, Surface Hole 330' FSL & 1980' FEL, Bottom Hole Section 19-T24S-R32E Lea County, New Mexico

This plan is submitted with Form 3160-3, Application for Permit to Drill, covering the above described well. The purpose of this plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activities and operations plan, the magnitude of the surface disturbance involved and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operations, so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental effect associated with the operations.

#### 1. EXISTING ROADS:

Exhibit A is a portion of the BLM map showing the well and roads in the vicinity of the proposed location. The proposed wellsite is located approximately 30 miles southeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico and the access route to the location is indicated in red and green on Exhibit A.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

Go east of Carlsbad on Highway 62-180 to State Road 31. Turn south on 31 and go to Highway 128 (Jal Highway). Turn left on HWY 128 and go east for approximately 18.7 miles to the intersection of Highway 128 and Buck Jackson Road. Turn right on Buck Jackson Road and go approx. .7 of a mile. Turn left here on a existing lease road and go approximately 1.4 miles to just about 200 feet past a well location on the left The new access road will start here going east along the section line following a two track ranch road going east for approximately .4 of a mile to the southwest corner of the Haracz AMO Federal #11H well location.

#### 2. PLANNED ACCESS ROAD.

- A. The proposed new access will be approximately .4 of a mile in length from the point of origin to the southwest corner of the well location.
- B. The new road will be 14 feet in width (driving surface) and will be adequately drained to control runoff and soil erosion.
- C. The new road will be bladed with drainage on one side. Traffic turnouts may be built.
- D. The route of the road is visible.
- E. Existing roads will be maintained in the same or better condition.

#### 3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELL:

- A. There is drilling activity within a one-mile radius of the well site.
- B. An exhibit shows existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed well site.

#### 4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES:

- A. There are production facilities on this lease at the present time.
- B. In the event that the well is productive, the necessary production facilities will be installed on the drilling pad. If the well is productive oil, a gas or diesel self-contained unit will be used to provide the necessary power until an electric line can be built, if needed.

#### 5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

A. It is planned to drill the proposed well with a brine water system. The water will be obtained from commercial sources and will be hauled to the location by truck over the existing and proposed roads shown in the exhibits.

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#### 6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

The dirt contractor will be responsible for finding a source of material for construction of road and pad and will obtain any permits that may be required.

#### 7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

- A. A closed loop system will be used to drill this well.
- B. The closed loop system will be constructed, maintained, and closed in compliance with the State of New Mexico, Energy and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division the "Pit Rule" 19.15.17 NMAC.
- C. Water produced during operations will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system, or separate disposal application will be submitted.
- D. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.
- E. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
- F. All trash, junk, and other waste materials will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill. Burial on site is not approved.
- 8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES: None
- 9. WELLSITE LAYOUT:
  - A. The exhibit B shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, the closed loop mud system, location of the drilling equipment, rig orientation and access road approach. The proposed well location will be approximately 330' x 375'. All of the location will be constructed within the 600' x. 600' staked area.
  - B. The closed loop system will be constructed, maintained and closed in compliance with the State of New Mexico, Energy and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division—the "Pit Rule" 19.15.17 NMAC.

#### 10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION:

- A. After finishing drilling and/or completion operations, all equipment and other material not needed for further operations will be removed. The location will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the well site in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible.
- B. Unguarded pits, if any, containing fluids will be fenced until they have dried and been leveled.
- C. If the proposed well is plugged and abandoned, all rehabilitation and/or vegetation requirements of the Bureau of Land Management will be complied with and will be accomplished as expeditiously as possible.

#### 11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP:

Surface Estate: Bureau of Land Management Carlsbad, New Mexico. Mineral Estate: Bureau of Land Management Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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#### OTHER INFORMATION: 12

- A. The primary use of the surface is for grazing.B. Refer to the archaeological report for a description of the topography, flora, fauna, soil, characteristics, dwellings, and historical and cultural sites.

#### CERTIFICATION YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Haracz AMO Federal #11H

I hereby certify that I, or someone under my direct supervision, have inspected the drill site and access route proposed herein; that I am familiar with the conditions which currently exist; and an someone under employment of Yates Petroleum Corporation has full knowledge of state and federal laws applicable to this operation; that the statements made in this APD package are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed in conformity with this APD package and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. I also certify that I, or the company I represent, am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of false statements.

Executed this 14th day of August 2012
Signature (Chra-
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Position Title Regulatory Agent
Address 105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, New Mexico 88210
Telephone (575) 748-4372
Field Representative (if not above signatory) <u>Tim Bussell, Drilling Supervisor</u>
Address (if different from above) Same as above.
Telephone (if different from above) (575) 748-4221
E-mail (optional)