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# HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H2S) OPERATIONS

Contingency Plan For Permian Drilling Operations

ConocoPhillips Company Mid-Continent Business Unit Permian Asset Area

## I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Contingency Plan is to provide an organized plan of action for alerting and protecting the public following the release of a potentially hazardous volume of hydrogen sulfide. This plan prescribes mandatory safety procedures to be followed in the event of a release of  $H_2S$  into the atmosphere from exploration and production operations included in the scope of this plan. The extent of action taken will be determined by the supervisor and will depend on the severity and extent of  $H_2S$  release. Release of  $H_2S$  must be reported to the Drilling Superintendent and documented on the IADC and in Wellview.

### III. PROCEDURES

First Employee on Scene

-\_\_\_\_ Assess the incident and ensure your own safety.

Note the following:

—— Location of the incident.

\_\_\_\_\_ Nature of the incident.

----- Wind direction and weather conditions.

\_\_\_\_\_ Other assistance that may be needed.

\_\_\_\_\_Call local supervisory personnel (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List) until personal contact is made with a person on the list.

Perform emergency assessment and response as needed. The response may include rescue and/or evacuation of personnel, shutting in a system and/or notification of nearby residents/public (refer to Section VII: Public Notification/Evacuation).

Secure the site.

\_\_\_\_ Follow the direction of the On-scene Incident Commander (first ConocoPhillips supervisor arriving on-scene).

First Supervisor on Scene (ConocoPhillips On-scene Incident Commander)

----- Becomes ConocoPhillips' On-scene Incident Commander upon arrival to location.

--- Follow the principles of the D.E.C.I.D.E. process below to assess the incident. (Note wind direction and weather conditions and ensure everyone's safety).

DETECT the problem ESTIMATE likely harm without intervention CHOOSE response objectives IDENTIFY action options DO the best option EVALUATE the progress

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete the Preliminary Emergency Information Sheet (refer to Section VIII: Forms/Reports).

\_\_\_\_ Call your supervisor (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List).

Perform emergency response as necessary. (This may include notification & evacuation of all personnel and/or nearby residents/public (refer to Section VII: Public Notification/Evacuation), requesting assistance from ConocoPhillips personnel or outside agencies (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List) and obtaining any safety equipment that may be required (refer to Section IV: Emergency Equipment and Maintenance).

Notify appropriate local emergency response agencies of the incident as needed. Also notify the appropriate regulatory agencies. (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List).

Ensure site security.

- Set barricades and /or warning signs at or beyond the calculated 100 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S radius of exposure (ROE). All manned barricades must be equipped with an H<sub>2</sub>S monitor and a 2-way radio.

------ Set roadblocks and staging area as determined.

- Establish the Incident Command Structure by designating appropriate on-scene response personnel as follows:

Recording Secretary	·
Public Information Officer	· · · ·
Safety/Medical Officer	·
Decontamination Officer	

Have the "Recording Secretary" begin documenting the incident on the "Incident Log" (refer to Section VIII: Forms/Reports).

- If needed, request radio silence on all channels that use your radio tower stating that, until further notice, the channels should be used for emergency communications only.

- Perform a Site Characterization and designate the following:

Hot Zone	 Hazardous Area
Warm Zone	 Preparation & Decontamination Area
Cold Zone	 Safe Area

On-Scene Incident Command Post Public Relations Briefing Area Staging Area Triage Area Decontamination Area (Cold Zone) (Cold Zone) (Cold Zone) (Cold Zone) (Warm Zone)

- Refer all media personnel to ConocoPhillips' On-Scene Public Information Officer (refer to Section VI: Public Media Relations).

Coordinate the attempt to stop the release of H<sub>2</sub>S. You should consider closing upstream and downstream valves to shut-off gas supply sources, and/or plugging or clamping leaks. Igniting escaping gas to reduce the toxicity hazard should be used ONLY AS A LAST RESORT. (It must first be determined if the gas can be safely ignited, taking into consideration if there is a possibility of a widespread flammable atmosphere.)

Once the emergency is over, return the situation to normal by:

Confirming the absence of  $H_2S$  and combustible gas throughout the area,

Discontinuing the radio silence on all channels, stating that the emergency incident is over,

Removing all barricades and warning signs,

Allowing evacuees to return to the area, and

Advising all parties previously notified that the emergency has ended.

Ensure the proper regulatory authorities/agencies are notified of the incident (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List).

Clean up the site. (Be sure all contractor crews have had appropriate HAZWOPER training.)

Report completion of the cleanup to the Asset Environmentalist. (Environmentalist will report this to the proper State and/or Federal agencies.) Fill out all required incident reports and send originals to the Safety Department. (Keep a copy for your records.)

• Company employee receiving occupational injury or illnesses.

• Company employee involved in a vehicle accident while driving a company vehicle.

• Company property that is damaged or lost.

• Accident involving the public or a contractor; includes personal injuries, vehicle accidents, and property damage. Also includes any situation, which could result in a claim against the Company.

Hazardous Material Spill/Release Report Form.

Emergency Drill Report

Assist the Safety Department in the investigation of the incident. Review the factors that caused or allowed the incident to occur, and modify operating, maintenance, and/or surveillance procedures as needed. Make appropriate repairs and train or retrain employees in the use and operation of the system.

If this incident was simulated for practice in emergency response, complete the Emergency Drill Report found in Section VIII: Forms/Reports and submit a copy to the Drilling Manager. (Keep one copy in area files to document exercising of the plan.)

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- 1. In an emergency situation, the Drilling Rep. on duty will have complete responsibility and will take whatever action is deemed necessary in an emergency situation to insure the personnel's safety, to protect the well and to prevent property damage.
- 2. The Toolpusher will assume all responsibilities of the Drilling Rep. in an emergency situation in the event the Drilling Rep. becomes incapacitated.
- 3. Advise each contractor, service company, and all others entering the site that H2S may be encountered and the potential hazards that may exist.
- 4. Authorize the evacuation of local residents if H2S threatens their safety.
- 5. Keep the number of persons on location to a minimum during hazardous operations.
- 6. Direct corrective actions to control the flow of gas.
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## IV. EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT and MAINTENANCE

## **Emergency Equipment Suppliers**

<u>Safety International – Odessa, 1x.</u>
$H_2S$ monitors
Breathing air includes cascade systems .

First aid and medical supplies Safety equipment H2S Specialist

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432.561.5049 Odessa, Tx. 575.392.2973 Hobbs, NM

432.580.3770

<u>Indian Fire & Safety – Hobbs, NM</u> H<sub>2</sub>S monitors Breathing air including cascade systems trailer mounted 30 minute air packs Safety Equipment 575.393.3093

#### Emergency Equipment and Maintenance (continued)

General Information

Materials used for repair should be suitable for use where  $H_2S$  concentrations exceed 100 ppm. In general, carbon steels having low-yield strengths and a hardness below RC-22 are suitable. The engineering staff should be consulted if any doubt exists on material specifications.

Appropriate signs should be maintained in good condition at location entrance and other locations as specified in Texas Rule 36 and NMOCD Rule 118.

All notification lists should be kept current with changes in names, telephone numbers, etc.

All shutdown devices, alarms, monitors, breathing air systems, etc., should be maintained in accordance with applicable regulations.

All personnel working in  $H_2S$  areas shall have received training on the hazards, characteristics, and properties of  $H_2S$ , and on procedures and safety equipment applicable for use in  $H_2S$  areas.

#### H2S Safety Equipment and Monitoring Systems

An H2S emergency response package will be maintained at locations requiring H2S monitoring. The package will contain at a minimum the following:

3 - Fixed H2S sensors located as follows:

1 – on the rig floor

1 - at the Bell Nipple

1 - at the Shale Shaker or Flowline,

1 – <u>Entrance Warning Sign</u> located at the main entrance to the location, with warning signs and colored flags to determine the current status for entry into the location.

2 – Windsocks that are clearly visible.

1 - Audible warning system located on rig floor

2 – <u>Visual</u> warning systems (Beacon Lights)

1-located at the rig floor

1-located in the mud mixing room.

#### Note: All alarms (audible and visual) should be set to alarm at 10 ppm.

2 - Briefing areas clearly marked

2 - SCBA's at each briefing area

1- SCBA located at the Drilling Reps office

Note:

1. All SCBA's must be positive pressure type only!!!

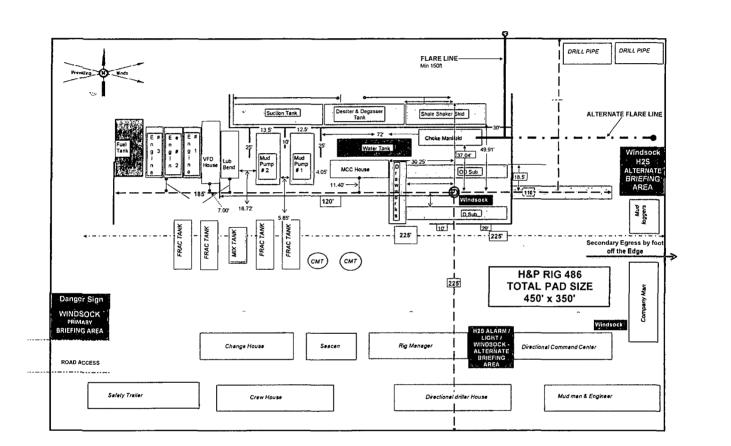
2. All SCBA's must either be Scott or Drager brand.

3. All SCBA's face pieces should be <u>size large</u>, unless otherwise specified by the Drilling Supervisor.

5 – <u>Emergency Escape Paks</u> located at Top Doghouse.

Note: Ensure provisions are included for any personnel working above rig floor in derrick.

 $1 - \underline{\text{Tri or Quad gas monitor}}$  located at the Drilling Reps office. This will be used to determine if the work area if safe to re-enter prior to returning to work following any alarm.



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The following is a <u>priority</u> list of personnel to contact in an emergency situation:

Supervisory Personnel	Office No.	Home	Cellular
R.W. "Cottton" Hair	432.368.1302	432.563.9467	432.556.9116
Permian Drilling Supt.			·
Dennis Paschall	432.368.1517	432.683.9400	432.238.3150
Permian Drilling Field Supt.			
Tom Samarripa	423.368.1263	432.367.4961	432.556.9113
WSER	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Ty Maxey	432.368.1100		281.217.8492
Permian Asset Operations Manager			
Leo Gatson	432.368.1248		432.631.066
Safety and Environmental Coordinator		• .	
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Lynn Dooley	832.486.2567	281.225.8063	281.435.3517
Drilling Mngr.			
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#### EMERGENCY CALL LIST: State Officials

**Regulatory** Agencies

<u>New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission</u> P. O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240-1980

Office: 575.393.6161

Bureau of Land Mngt. Carlsbad Field Office 620 E. Greene St. Carlsbad, NM 88220

Office: 575.234.5972 Fax: 575.885.9264 BLM 24 Hr on call # Lea County: 575-393-3612

## EMERGENCY CALL LIST: Local Officials

Refer to the Location Information Sheet Note: The LIS should include any area residents (i.e. rancher's house, etc)

ConocoPhillips Emergency Call List and Location Information Sheet

## <u>ConocoPhillips-</u> 281-293-3600

Drilling Superintendent	Cotton Hair	Office: 432-368-1302
		Cell: 432-556-9116
Safety (WSER)	Tom Samarripa	Office: 432-368-1263
		Cell: 432-556-9113
Drilling Engineer	Steve Moore	Office: 832-486-2459
		Cell: 281-467-7596
Regulatory Contact	Brian Maiorino	Office: 432-688-6913
		Cell: 432-210-7097

## Emergency Numbers

Hospital: Lea Co. Regional Medical Center (Hobbs)	
Ambulance: Hobbs Fire Dept.	
Air Ambulance: Care Star	
Aero Star	800-627-2376
Fire Dept. (Hobbs)	
(Maljamar non-emerg)	575-676-4100
State Police (Artesia)	
(Hobbs)	575-392-5580
Sheriff (Lovington)	
Police (Lovington)	
NMOCD	
(Emerg)	
BLM Switchboard	
BLM 24 Hr on Call, Lea County	
New Mexico Emergency Response Comm (Santa Fe)	505-476-9600
New Mexico State Emerg Ops Ctr	505-476-9635
National Emerg Response Center	

Number of Residences within 1 mile of Well: There are no residences within one mile of the well to be drilled.

